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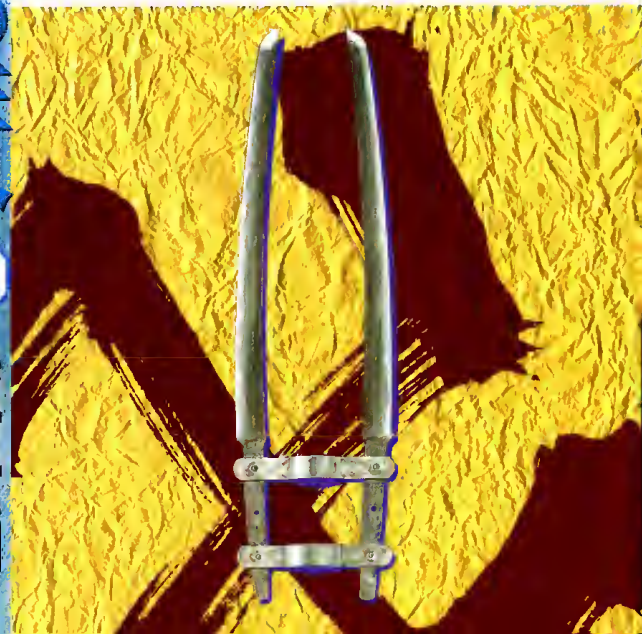

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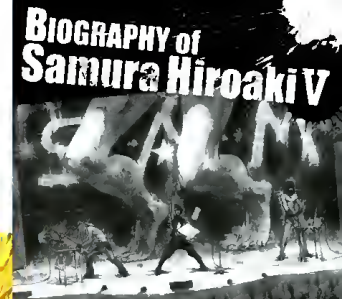

「沙村広明」再結成記念公開制作の模様
写真左より(bone)スナイパー・リー(nort.)
ニコ・ペトナ(pen)真・リトル・ニキータ(penc.)

「スナイパー・リーは約束を守った。直前までリトル・ニキータの参加は不可能だと噂されていた。だが当日、ヘタリストとしてステージに上がったのは間違うようジャン・リトル・ニキータ'八'である。これで次げていたパズルのピースがすべてそろった。スナイパー・リーの完成である。『無限』は再び動き出した。正直胸に突き刺さった――心は平静無かりの境地に達したリーのネームを、ニコ・ペトナのペン、リトル・ニキータのヘタ、ミカエル・ハンネマンのトーンが、純白の雲のようなタント紙の上に極彩色の花を咲かせるように、パーフェクトに再現していった。そう、それは僅かに春の訪れ、冬の終わりを告げる造式であったのだ。『辛くない最きの終わりを――』(「マンガ・ニッシャ」1993年7月号)

「日本の巫女がファンタジーだの美少女だのにはしゃいでいる隣、俺達はその日を生き延る事で精一杯だった。あんなのクソ喰らえだ」(ミカエル、同誌1993年4月号インタビューより)

「ラブコメだろうと文学系だろうとアグレッシブに話す事ができる、俺はメロウになんて出かけるんだ!」(ニコ、前掲インタビューより)

「(デビュー作『無限の住人』について)風呂につかっている時に思いついたんだ。時代劇にボレロのリズムを取り入れてみたらうかって。他のメンバーも、とても面白いと言ってくれて(笑)」(リー、公開制作直前のインタビューより)

「あの当時おもしろい話から、はや半年が過ぎた。たぶその先書は、約2倍にした事のように感覚としては思うし思い出せる事であればどれほど良かっただろうか

再結成記念公開制作スタートから2時間、僅か5冊目にさしかかった頃、スナイパー・リーがの原稿を片手にステージから客席にダイヴをした。驚愕する観客。ざわざわにされる中、作業はオーディエンスを、全て参加の空気に飲っていた。それに引きずられるように今度はニカエルが、次いでニコが、そして最後に――

現在開催が発表した情報によると、リトル・ニキータの下敷きになって死亡した人の数は、入院中に死んだ人々も含めて41人であった。この中には当エルとニコの名前もある。リトル・ニキータはビルニー刑務所の地下で現在も施設中である。

「事を捨てるつもりはないよ」、九死に一生を得たリーは、病院のベットの上で私にこう話った。「だが、もう二度とヘタリストは現れない。ヘタを凌ぐ者だけの伝に人生を左右されるのはうごめん。ぞのアイデアを支句を振わず頭の上で形にするだけの、器実なしものような新聞者が必要だ。黎代のの評かったよ。それには、そう――女性の方が都合がいいだろうね」(「マンガ・ニッシャ」1993年12月号、文責・鈴村明弘子)(了)

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CHAPTER 128:
DEMON'S LAIR
PART 7

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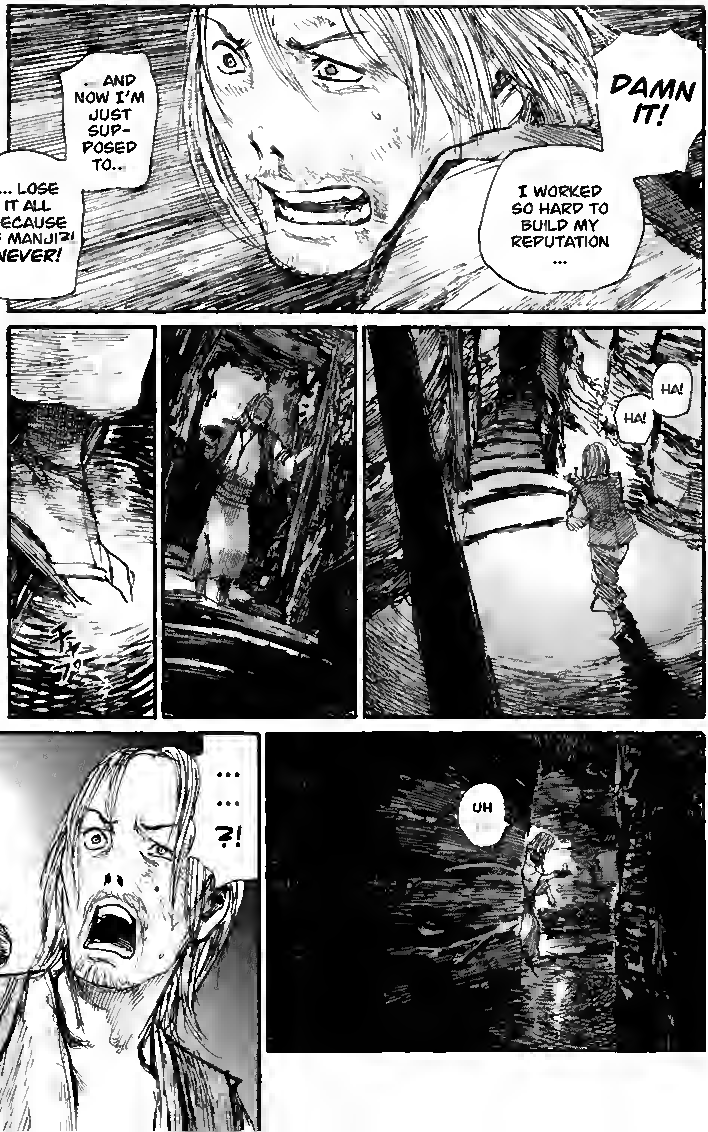
DAMN IT!
I WORKED SO HARD TO BUILD MY REPUTATION ...
... AND NOW I'M JUST SUP-POSED TO..
... LOSE IT ALL BECAUSE OF MANJI?! NEVER!
HA!
HA!
UH
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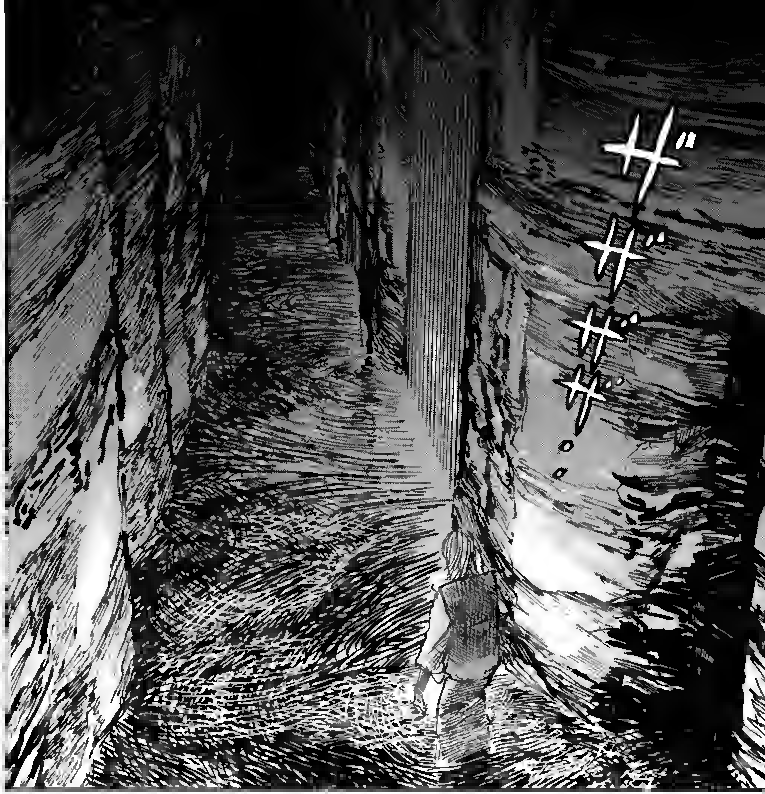
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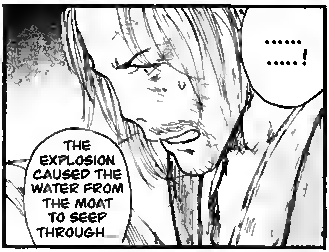
WHAT'S GOING ON?!
GET US OUT OF HERE!
HEY, DOCTOR! OVER HERE!

HALF AN HOUR AGO CRACKS STARTED FORMING ON THE WALL ...
WE HAVE NO IDEA!
WHERE'S THE WATER COMING FROM?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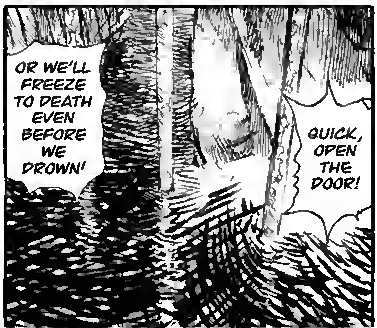
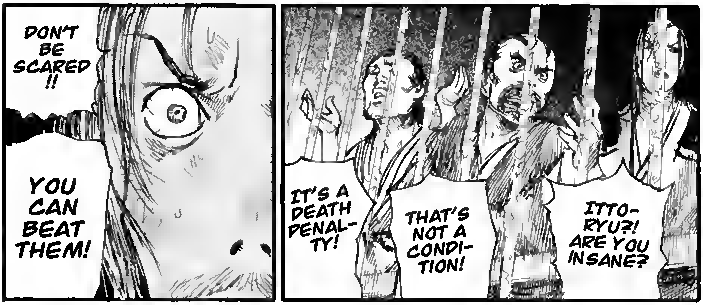
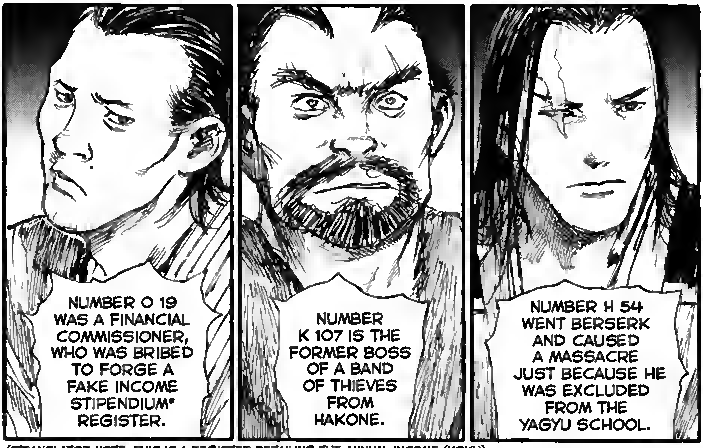
THE EXPLOSION CAUSED THE WATER FROM THE MOAT TO SEEP THROUGH

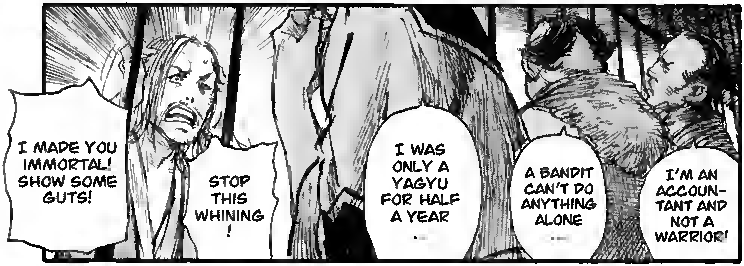

OR WE'LL FREEZE TO DEATH EVEN BEFORE WE DROWN!
QUICK, OPEN THE DOOR!




NUMBER O 19 WAS A FINANCIAL COMMISSIONER, WHO WAS BRIBED TO FORGE A FAKE INCOME STIPENDIUM* REGISTER.
NUMBER K 107 IS THE FORMER BOSS OF A BAND OF THIEVES FROM HAKONE.
NUMBER H 54 WENT BERSERK AND CAUSED A MASSACRE JUST BECAUSE HE WAS EXCLUDED FROM THE YAGYU SCHOOL.

(*TRANSLATOR NOTE: THIS IS A REGISTER DETAILING THE ANNUAL INCOME (KOKU), FOR EVERY SAMURAI.)

YOU MANAGED TO SURVIVE THROUGH ALL OF MY EXPERI-MENTS ...
WITHOUT LOSING YOUR MIND
BESIDES, YOU ALL KNOW YOUR WAY WITH A SWORD.


I'M AN ACCOUN-TANT AND NOT A WARRIOR!
A BANDIT CAN'T DO ANYTHING ALONE ...
I WAS ONLY A YAGYU FOR HALF A YEAR ...
STOP THIS WHINING !
I MADE YOU IMMORTAL! SHOW SOME GUTS!

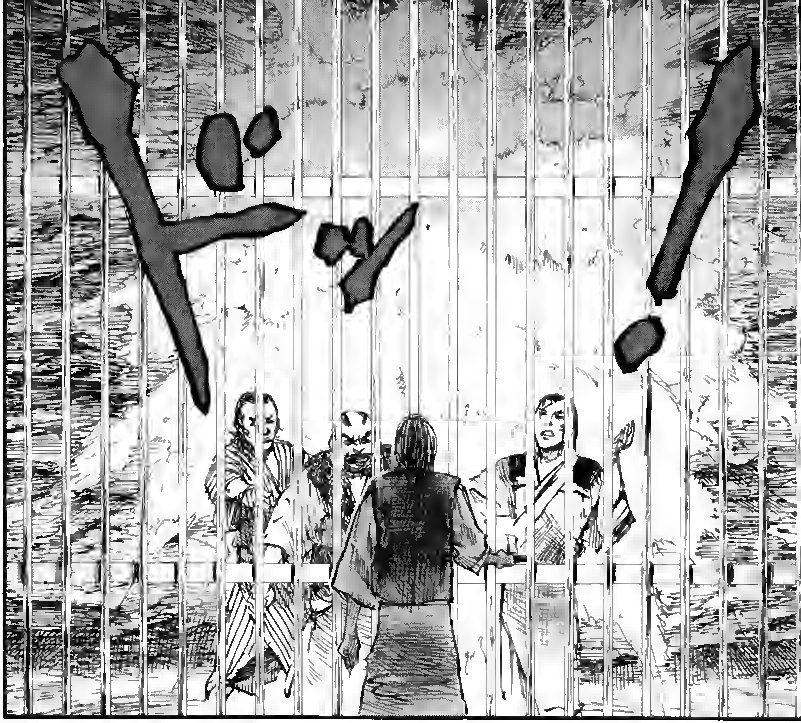
THERE'S NO WAY I CAN LET THOSE GUYS OUT!

ARE YOU CRAZY ?!

AREN'T THE GUYS NEXT DOOR BETTER SUITED?
ALSO, DOCTOR ...
DON'T YOU GET IT?! WE CAN'T STAND THE FEELING OF PAIN!

HRR JAH!
GRR RAH!
GRR RAH!
GRR RAH!
WHAT'S GOING ON IN THERE?
WHAT'S THIS SCREAMING?
STUPID QUESTION...
THE WATER IS UP TO THEIR NECK, TOO.

YOUR CHOICE! EITHER YOU FIGHT THE ITTO-RYU...
... OR YOU DROWN IN YOUR CELL!
WHAT WILL IT BE?
BAS-TARD!
ASS-HOLE!
OKAY! WE AGREE!
VERY WELL
EH ...?
WHERE IS THE KEY ...?
DAMN IT! WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU DOING?!
YOU MORON !!
CALM DOWN! I KNOW WHERE IT IS!
I'LL GO AND GET THE KEY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ゴォン・・!
HELP ...!

COUGH! COUGH!
UH ...
AH ...!

AS IF, YOU SUCK-UP!
GO AND KILL THE INTRU-DERS!

HEY! WHO GAVE YOU PERMISSION TO LEAVE?!
WHY ARE YOU STARING AT ME?!

I HOPE YOU DROWN!
AH!
THAT WASN'T WHAT WE AGREED ON!
YOU DIDN'T DO ANYTHING FOR US!

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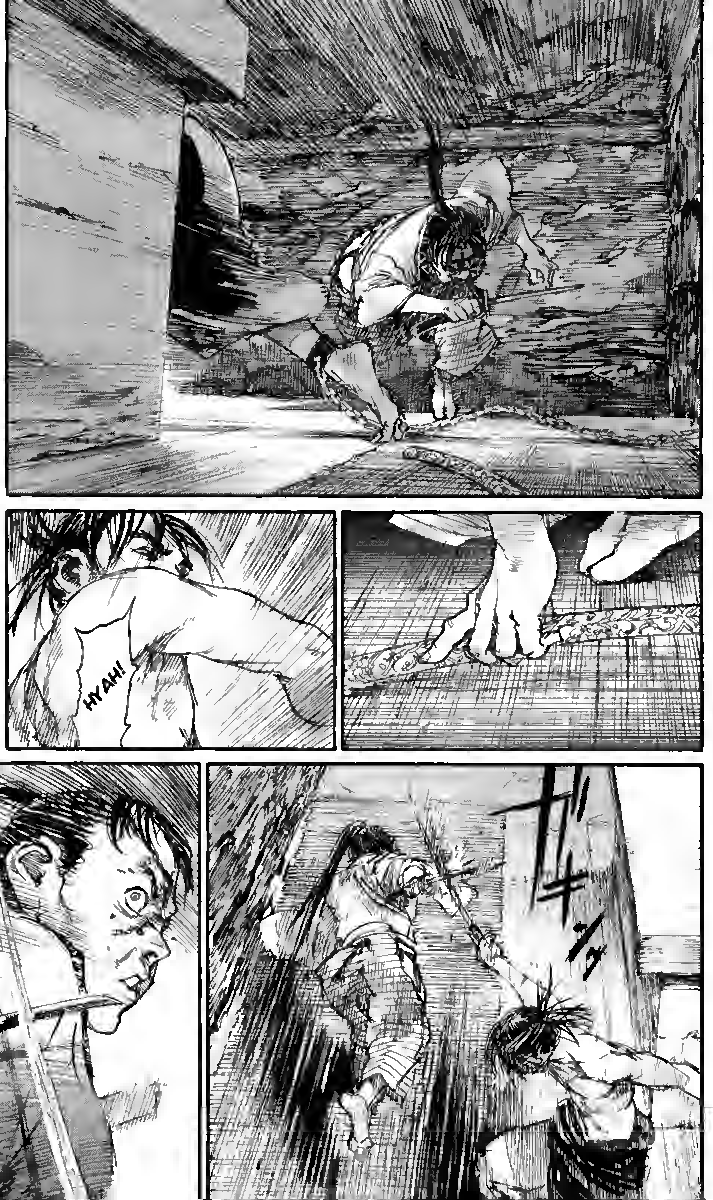
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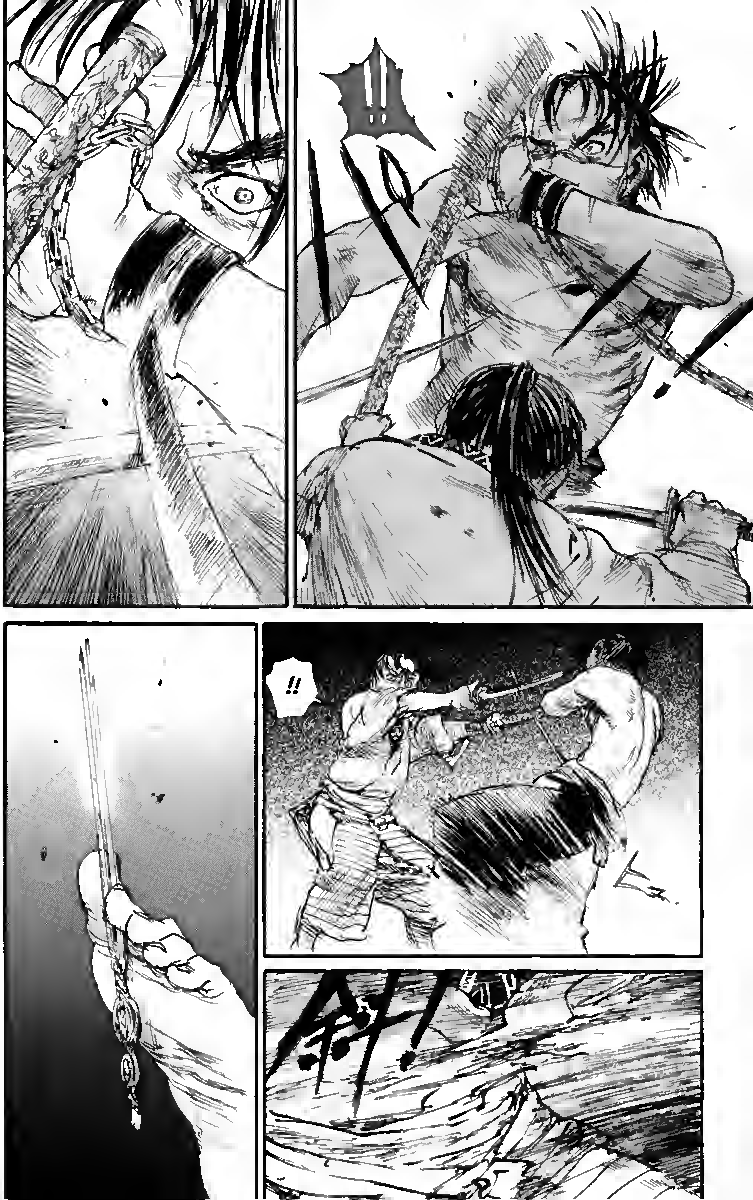
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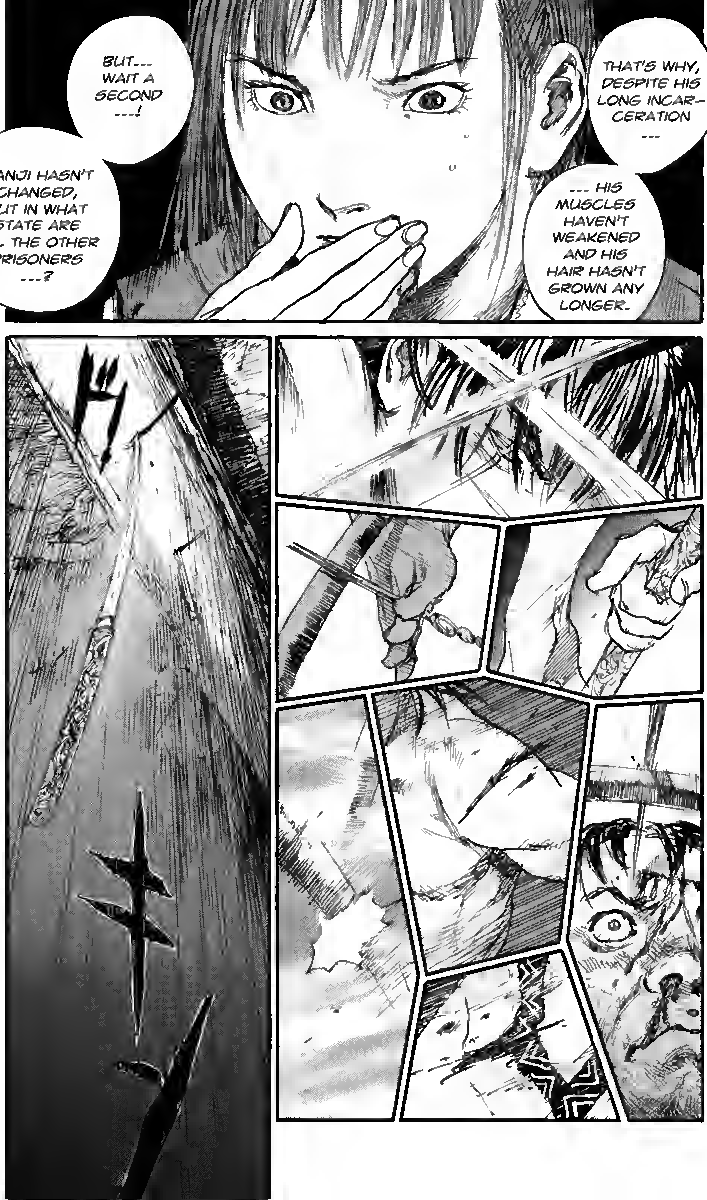
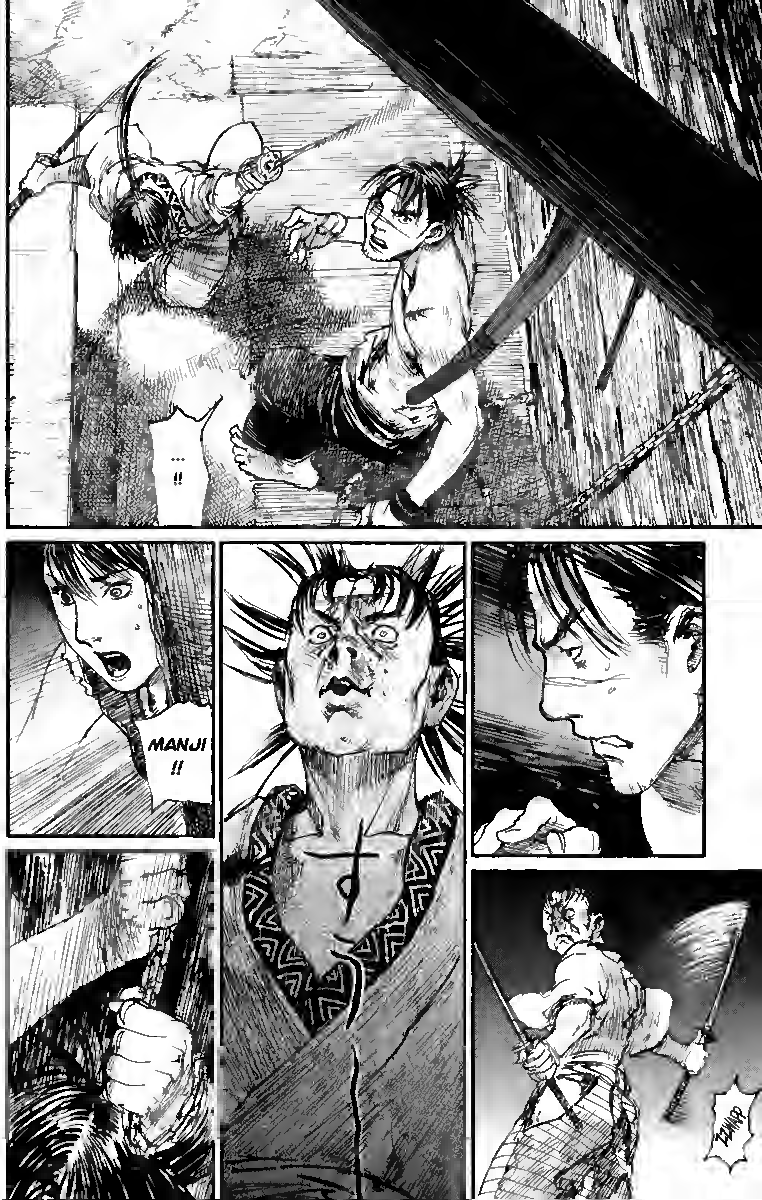
PHEW ...!
MISTER YA-MADA! HERE!
MANJI IS IN-CREDI-BLE!
AFTER A MONTH OF BEING INCARCERATED HE SHOULD BE...
... COMPLETELY EXHAUSTED AND UNABLE TO DEFEND HIMSELF.

MANJI TOLD ME ---
THE KESSEN-CHU WORMS, WHICH ARE THE SOURCE OF HIS IMMORTALITY ---
--- RESTORE THE BODY TO THE EXACT STATUS IT WAS IN WHEN THEY FIRST POSSESSED IT.


BUT... WAIT A SECOND ...!
MANJI HASN'T CHANGED, BUT IN WHAT STATE ARE ALL THE OTHER PRISONERS ...?
THAT'S WHY, DESPITE HIS LONG INCAR-CERATION ...
... HIS MUSCLES HAVEN'T WEAKENED AND HIS HAIR HASN'T GROWN ANY LONGER.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MANJI
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ZANKU

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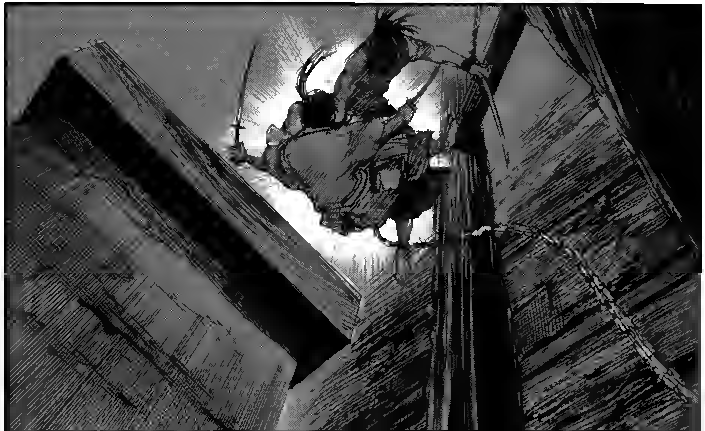

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MA...
MANJI
...!
HA!
KSSCH
...

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THE ...
WHERE'S THE WATER COMING FROM ...?

WE WILL NOT SURRENDER!
WE WON'T RUN AWAY BECAUSE OF A LITTLE GIRL!
A CHILD !!

UAA AH!!

ヤッ!
HIAAAH!!

UH ...
IT'S ICE COLD ...
THE WATER FROM THE MOAT PROBABLY BREACHED ...
THIS UNDER-GROUND ROAD IS THREE JO* BELOW THE MOAT.
THE WATER WILL CONTINUE TO RISE ...
...UNTIL THE MOAT IS EMPTY.
(*1 JO = 3.03 METER)
PANT
WELL, IT DOESN'T CONCERN US FOR NOW.
YOU DON'T SEEM TO CARE ...
WELL ...
PANT
THE COLD WATER ...
... USUALLY HINDERS THE WEAK THE MOST.

BUAH! HA! HA! HA!
I'LL SAY IT AGAIN: THE WATER LEVEL IS RISING!

SOME-THING'S COMING
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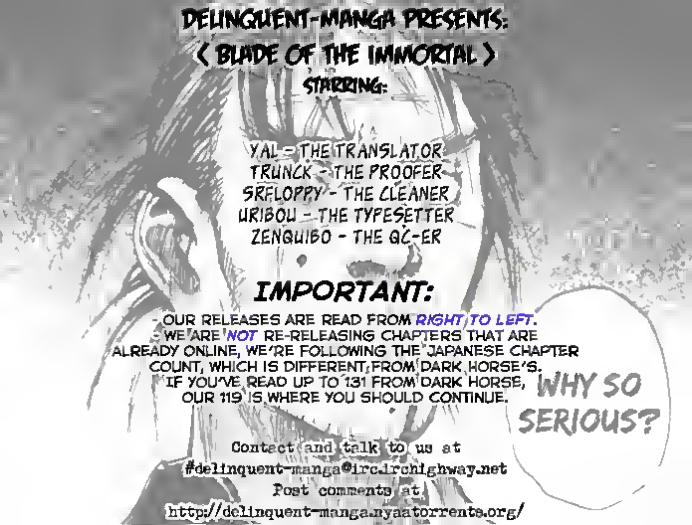
END


DELINQUENT-MANGA PRESENTS:
< BLADE OF THE IMMORTAL >
STARRING:
YAL - THE TRANSLATOR
TRUNCK - THE PROOFER
SRFLOPPY - THE CLEANER
URIBOU - THE TYPESETTER
ZENQUIBO - THE QC-ER
IMPORTANT:
- OUR RELEASES ARE READ FROM RIGHT TO LEFT.
- WE ARE NOT RE-RELEASING CHAPTERS THAT ARE ALREADY ONLINE, WE'RE FOLLOWING THE JAPANESE CHAPTER COUNT, WHICH IS DIFFERENT FROM DARK HORSE'S. IF YOU'VE READ UP TO 131 FROM DARK HORSE, OUR 119 IS WHERE YOU SHOULD CONTINUE.
WHY SO SERIOUS?
Contact and talk to us at
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Post comments at
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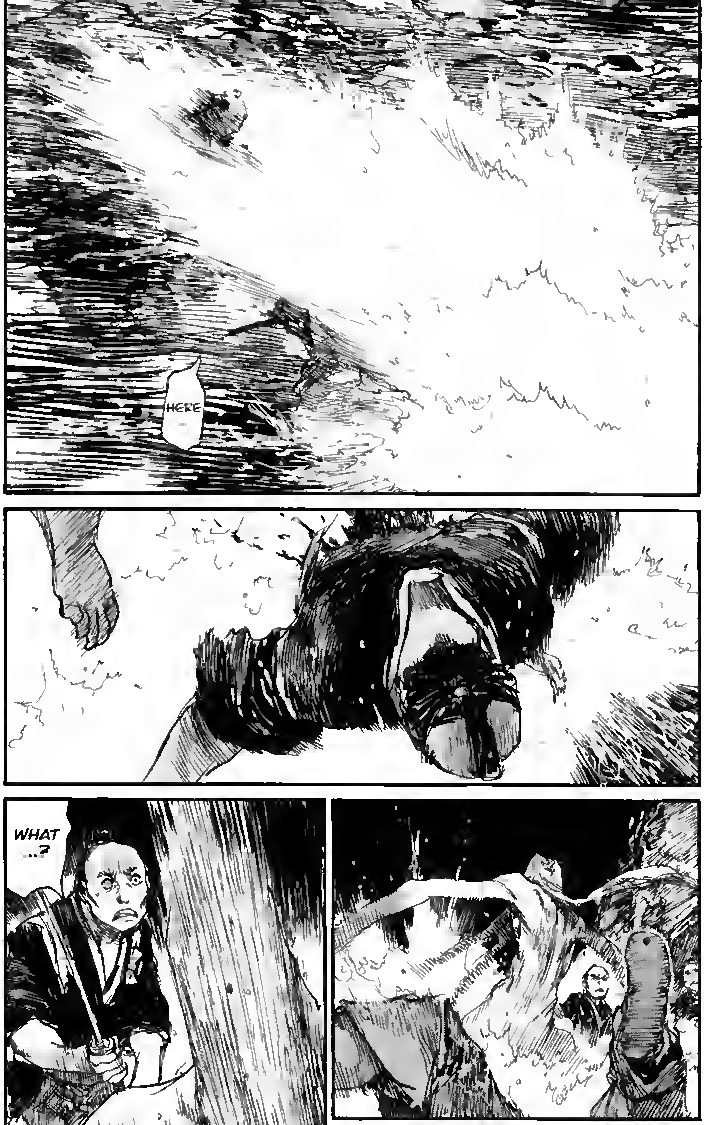
CHAPTER 129:
DEMON'S LAIR
PART 8

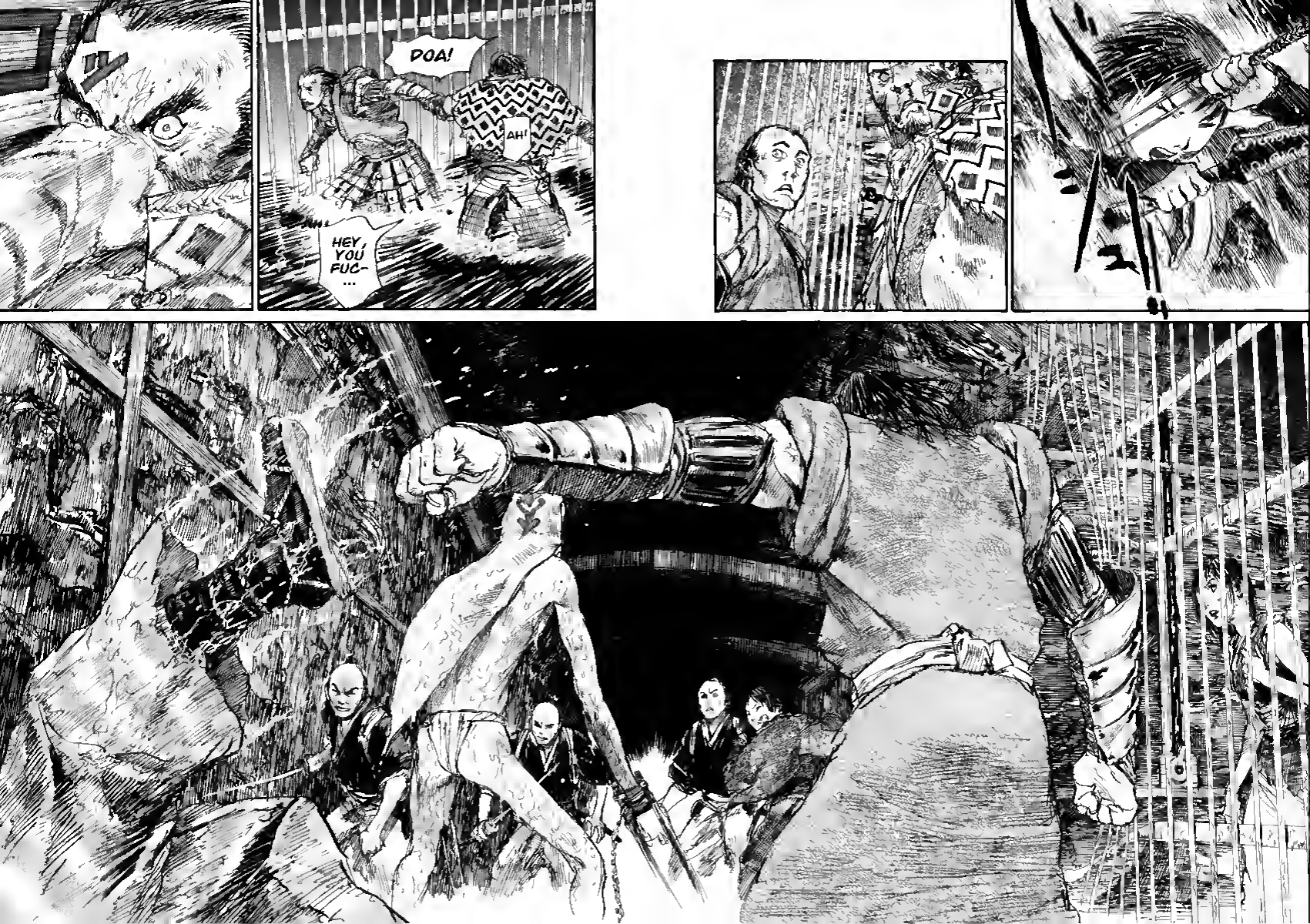
❖第百二十九幕❖
鬼の巣
〈其の八〉

CALL FOR BACK-UP!
WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO WITH SO FEW MEN?
THERE ARE ENOUGH OF US, WE'LL WIN.
NO, DON'T YOU WORRY!
IT'S JUST ONE LITTLE GIRL ...
SMALL PEOPLE ARE AT A DISAD-VANTAGE ...
SHE CAN BARELY MOVE.
LOOK! THE WATER LEVEL ALREADY REACHED ALL THE WAY TO HER HIP!

ARE YOU OKAY ?!
MASTER! MASTER YAMADA!
...
..UNDER THESE CONDI-TIONS.
OH!
MUSA-KOSHI, GO AND GET REIN-FORCE-MENTS!
MASTER! HANG IN THERE!
OKAY, I'LL GO AND WAKE UP THE GUARDS!
HURRY! COME QUICK!
WHAT ?! REINFORCE-MENTS ARE ALREADY ON THEIR WAY


HERE
WHAT ...?

WHAT ?!
UAAH!


DOA!
AH!
HEY, YOU FUC-...

BWA ARH !!
GRR RAH !!

WHA ..
WHAT IS THAT ?

AH ..!
HE HE HE ..
THIS SHITHOLE IS FULL OF SUR-PRISES!
HUI IAH!
KYAUUH!

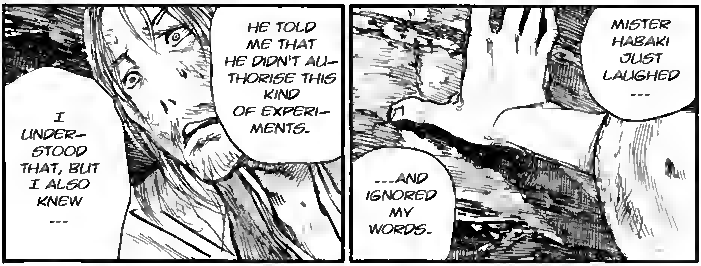
HNN NGH
ISAKU ...!

DAMN! THIS IS BAD, REALLY BAD
THE FIGHT HAS ALREADY STARTED !!

DON'T LET THIS THING GET OUT OF HERE UNDER ANY CIRCUM-STANCES!
I KNOW I'M YOUR ENEMY, BUT PLEASE

IT WAS CREATED BY MY UNFOR-GIVABLE CURIO-SITY...
---THAT MADE ME EXPERI-MENT ON HUMANS.
---THIS WASN'T DONE IN THE NAME OF SCIENCE.
TO BE HONEST ---
I SHOULDN'T HAVE CREATED IT...

"ARE YOU TRYING TO TRANSFORM ALL YOUR SOLDIERS INTO IMMORTALS?"
"BU-RAN-DO!"
"HM, INTERESTING IDEA..."


MISTER HABAKI JUST LAUGHED ---
---AND IGNORED MY WORDS.
HE TOLD ME THAT HE DIDN'T AUTHORISE THIS KIND OF EXPERIMENTS.
I UNDERSTOOD THAT, BUT I ALSO KNEW ---

I WAS AWARE OF HABAKI'S PLAN.
I KNEW WHAT HE WANTED ---

I KNEW FOR WHAT PURPOSE THE EXPERIMENTS WERE CONDUCTED ---
---AND WHO HE REALLY WANTED TO MAKE IMMORTAL!

OH SHIT!

BUT

IT WAS NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE EXPERIMENT TO PRODUCE THE RESULTS

IT WAS IM-POS--SIBLE!

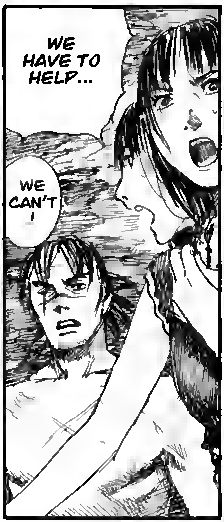
HE HIMSELF KNEW THAT THE MOST-
---THAT HABAKI WANTED-

I WANTED PROOF!
PROOF THAT THE OPERATIONS WERE SUCCESSFUL.
STILL ---
---I JUST COULDN'T STOP!
I WANTED TO SHOW THE DOCTORS! THOSE SNOBS!
I WANTED TO PROVE THAT I WAS SUPERIOR TO THEM, REGARDLESS OF MY SOCIAL STATUS!
UAAAH!
!
GR OFF ...

BRA
AH!

KCH
...

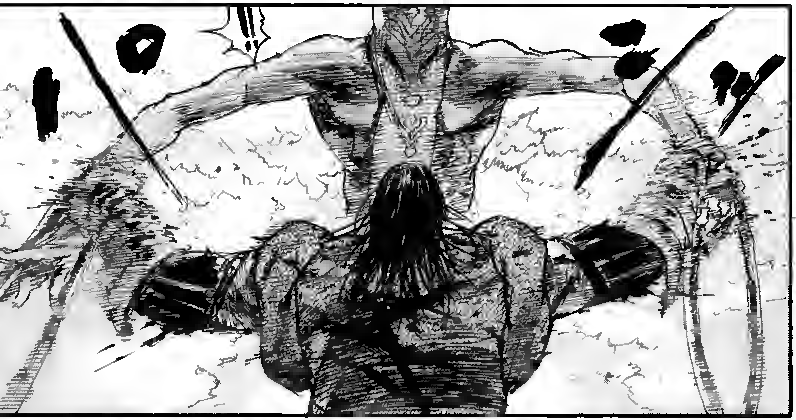
AND IT WOULD TAKE TOO LONG TO CHOP MY ARM OFF, SO ..
I CAN'T REACH THAT FAR WITH THESE CHAINS ON.


WE HAVE TO HELP...
WE CAN'T !

DOA! ISAKU!!

HEY! ARE YOU CRAZY?!
YOU CAN'T DO ANY-THING TO HELP THEM!
THEN I'LL...
WAIT!
IF THE MOUNTAIN WON'T COME TO THE PROPHET, THEN...
...THE PROPHET WILL HAVE TO GO TO THE MOUNTAIN!
UUH...

GRRRAAAAAAAAH!!
LET ME FIGHT!
ISAKU!
ISAKU!
YOUR IMMORTALITY WON'T BE ENOUGH



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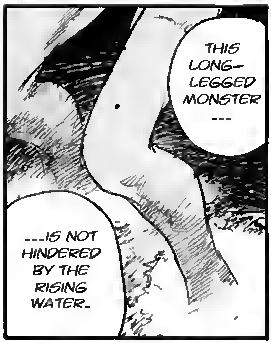
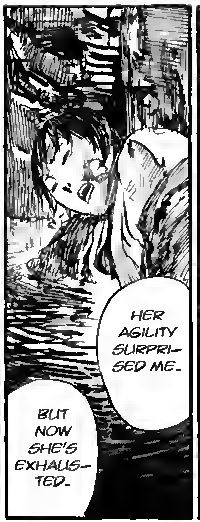

THIS LONG-LEGGED MONSTER

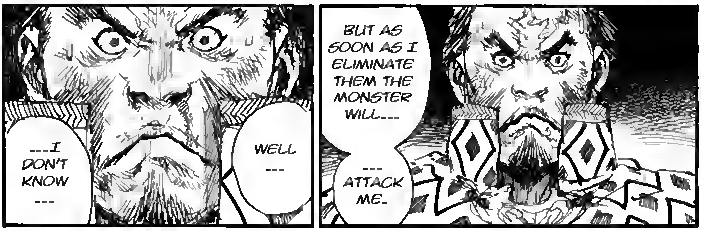
...IS NOT HINDERED BY THE RISING WATER.


HER AGILITY SURPRISED ME.
BUT NOW SHE'S EXHAUSTED.

SO THAT'S HOW THINGS TURNED OUT

IN ANY CASE

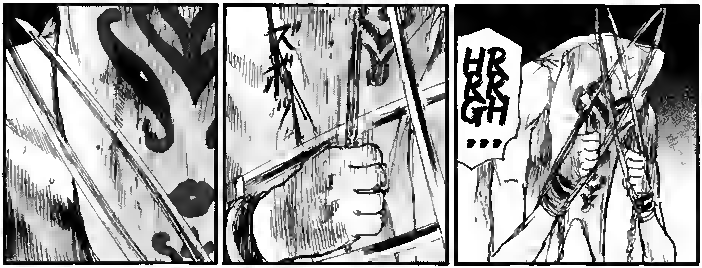
I WON'T GET A BETTER CHANCE ---
---TO KILL THOSE TWO.


---I DON'T KNOW ---
WELL ---
BUT AS SOON AS I ELIMINATE THEM THE MONSTER WILL----
--- ATTACK ME.

URGH?!
HURF?!

GU AA AH!!
HA HA HA!
RIGHT IN THE EYE, AGAIN! I'M A GENIUS!
GRU AH!!
GRU AH!

GET BACK. HE'S COMING!
BESIDES, THE ANAESTHETIC WOULDN'T WORK ON THOSE THINGS ANYWAY.
NO, THE WATER WASHED AWAY THE ANAESTHETIC.
HE'LL DROP ANYTIME NOW!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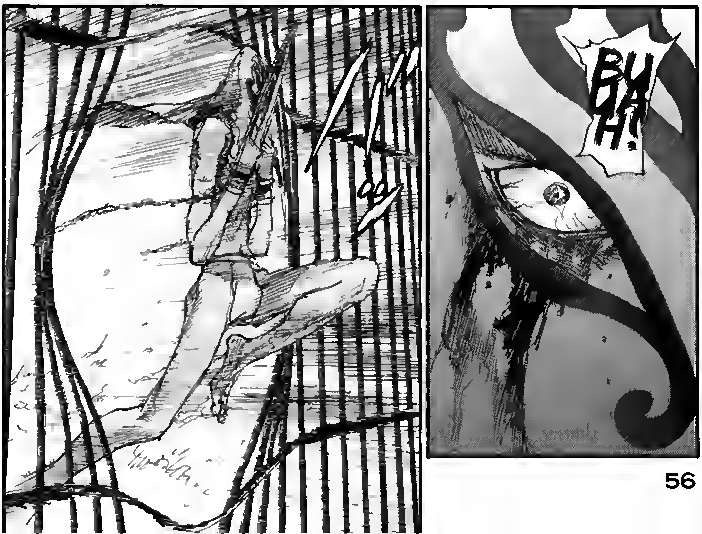
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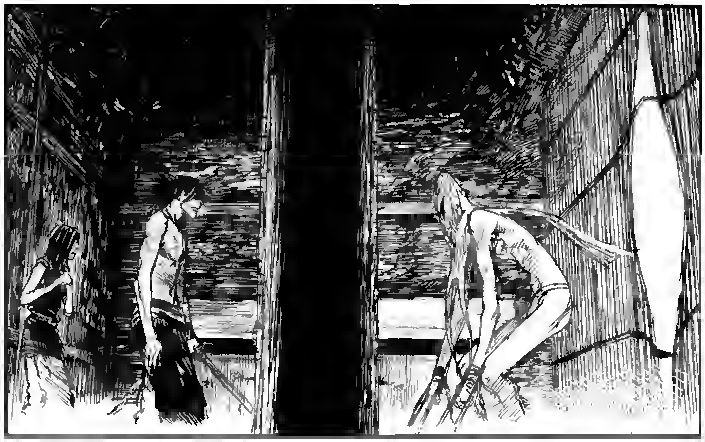

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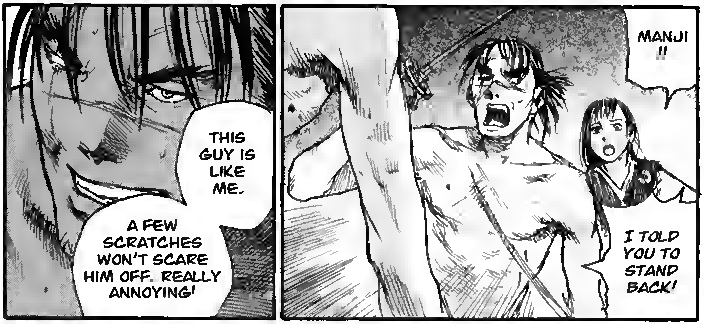
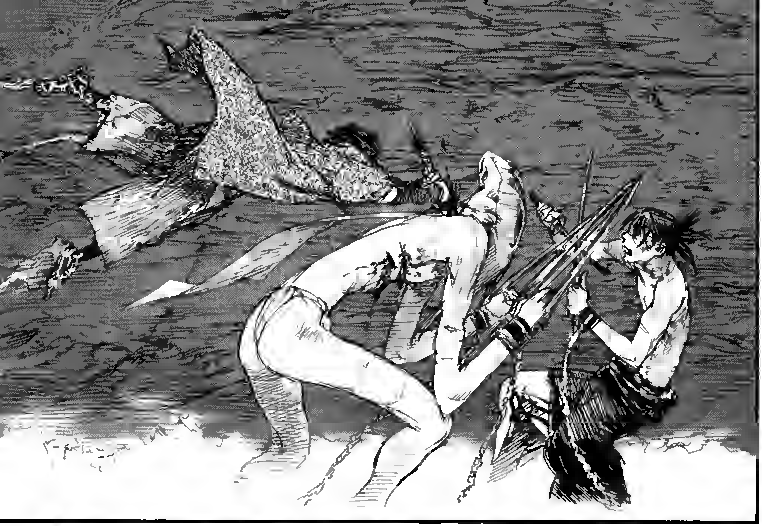
GYAH!

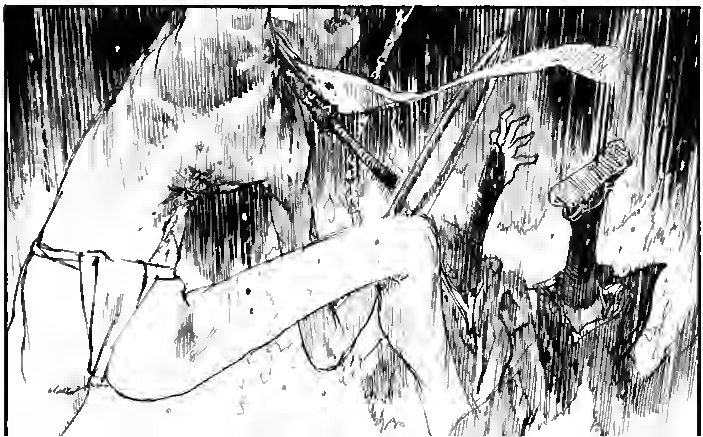
GR RRC AH!
OOPS !


MANJI !!
I TOLD YOU TO STAND BACK!
THIS GUY IS LIKE ME.
A FEW SCRATCHES WON'T SCARE HIM OFF. REALLY ANNOYING!

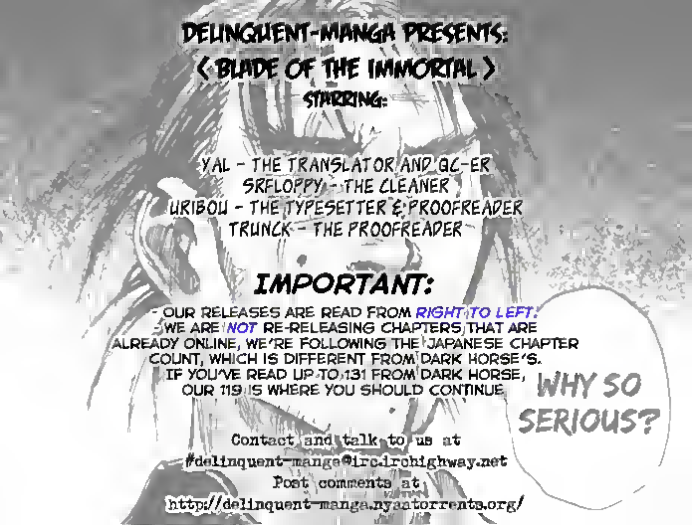
HIA AAH !!



AH ...!
MURGH!



DOA! NOW ...
VERY GOOD!
NOW THAT YOU'RE ALONE I'LL FINISH YOU OFF!
HA!
HA!
HA!
HA!
HA!
CHAPTER 129
END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PART 9

❖第百三十幕❖
鬼の巣
―〈其の九〉―

HIS HEAD!
...TO SLICE IT OFF ...
IF I CAN MANAGE ...
HRRR YAH!

UR RF!
HM ?
COUGH!

KCH!!
IH!!
MO
KCH
?
URGH
...

PULL THE SWORD OUT AND CUT HIS HEAD OFF!
...YEAH, YOU!

DOA!

BEATING AND STABBING HIM WON'T KILL HIM.
YOU HAVE TO TAKE HIS HEAD.
I KNOW YOU CAN DO IT!

HNGH?
KYAA AH!

HYAAAH!
MWRRGH!
HUFF ...
W... WAIT!
THE ...
HURRY UP!

UAH !!
GRA AH!

UMPH!

PUAH ...!
GR RRA AH!

!
DOA, TAKE OFF YOUR JACKET!
IT'S TOO WET FOR YOU TO MOVE PROPERLY
THE PANTS TOO
?!
URRGH...
!-...
ISAKU !!

HA...!

I DON'T LIKE AN UNFAIR FIGHT..

THIS SWORD SHOULD EVEN THINGS UP..

WE ARE ABOUT THE SAME STRENGTH...
BUT YOU ARE IMMORTAL, AND YOUR ARMS ARE ARMORED.

ISAKU!
HI...
HII...
HII...
UAHA HA HA!
HNGH...

IF I DON'T STOP THAT THING THEY'LL BOTH BE DEAD_
A CHAINED MANJI AND THE EXHAUSTED GIRL WON'T WIN AGAINST THIS MONSTER ---
BOTH ARE IMMORTAL_ I WONDER WHO'LL WIN ---
BUT IF SHE DIES, THIS GUY WILL ATTACK THE MONSTER_
WHATEVER THE RESULT, I'LL TEAR THE VICTOR TO PIECES!
YES, THAT'S IT!
IT IS NOT COWARD-ICE
THAT IS THE BEST STRATEGY !!
THAT'S HOW I CAN GET RID OF THAT THING AND GET MANJI'S BODY OUT OF HERE_ I HAVE TO SET PRIORITIES_ I WON'T LOSE SIGHT OF MY GOAL_

NN !?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING !?
ARE YOU TRYING TO DO THE SAME THING AS MANJI?
GUA AAH !!

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WHAT?
W... WAIT!
DAMN IT!

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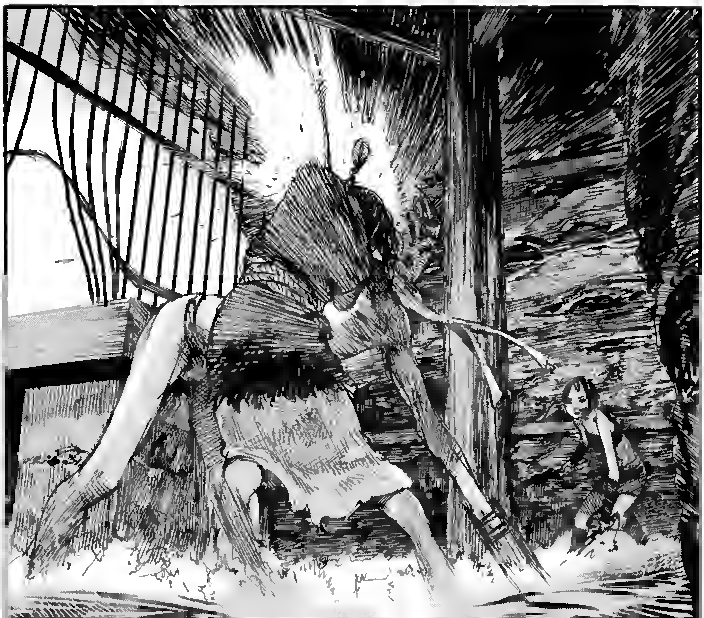
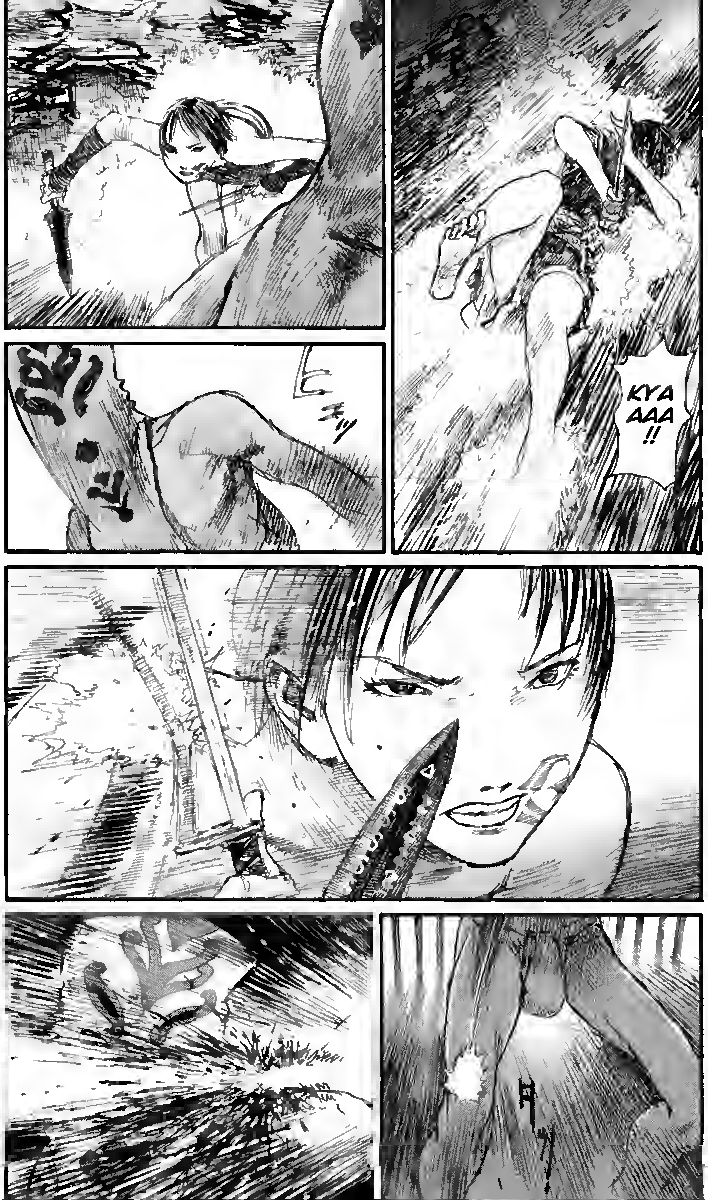
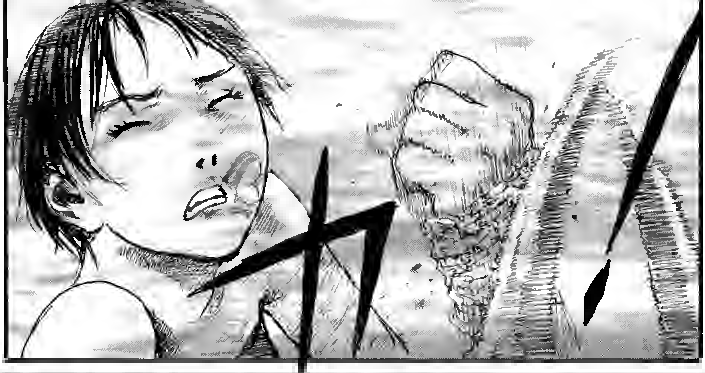



KYA AAA !!

BWR RRCH ?!
UNGH !!
GRRRAH!
THE SWORD IS STUCK ...
DAMN, NOT AGAIN!



GRR RAH!
DAMN, THIS GUY ...
KCH ...
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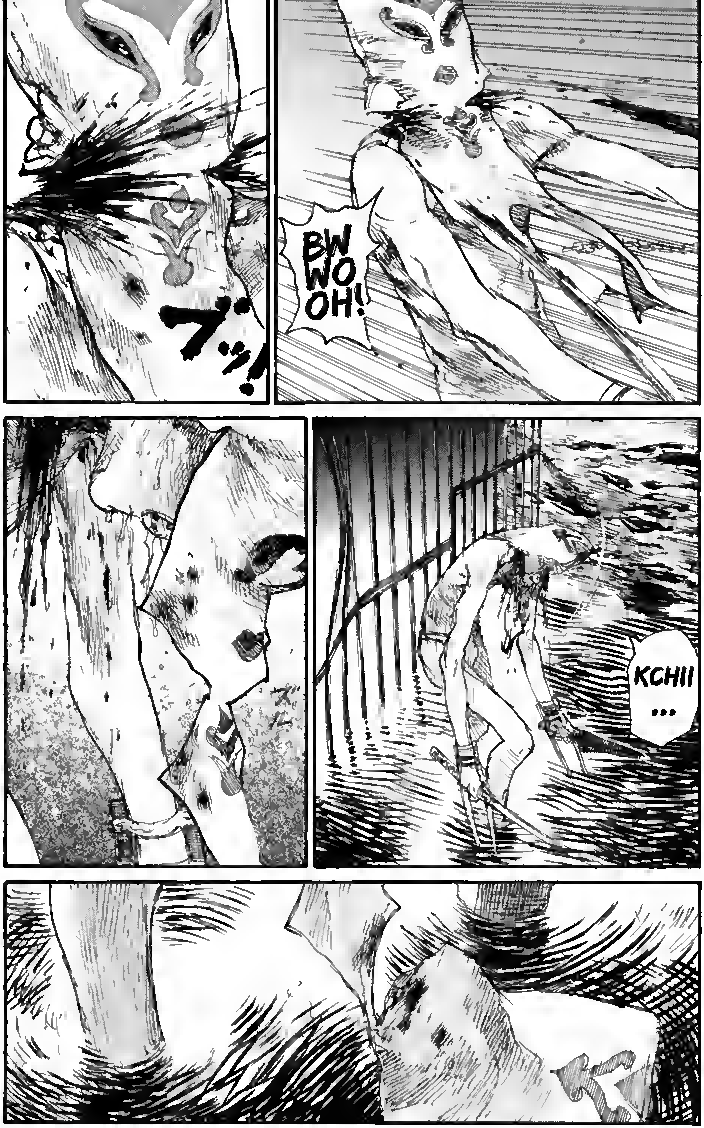
URGH!

FUCK IT!
GUAH!!
GRRAH!
BUARGH!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OH!
KCHII
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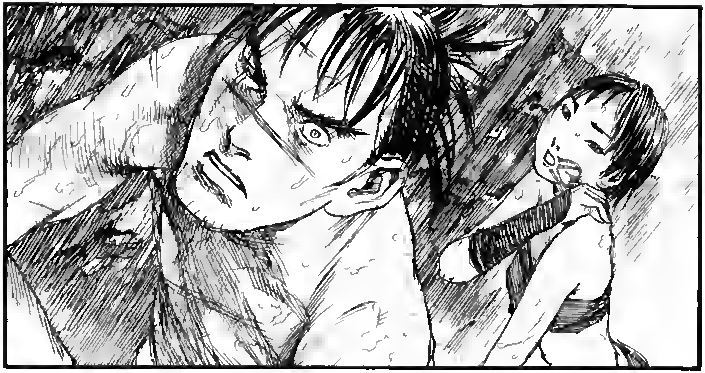

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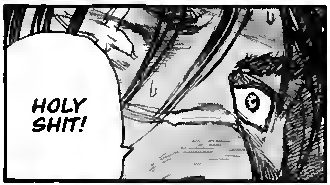
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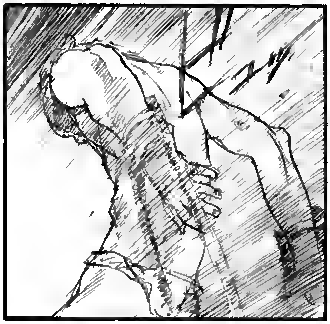

HIII...
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AA
Hi
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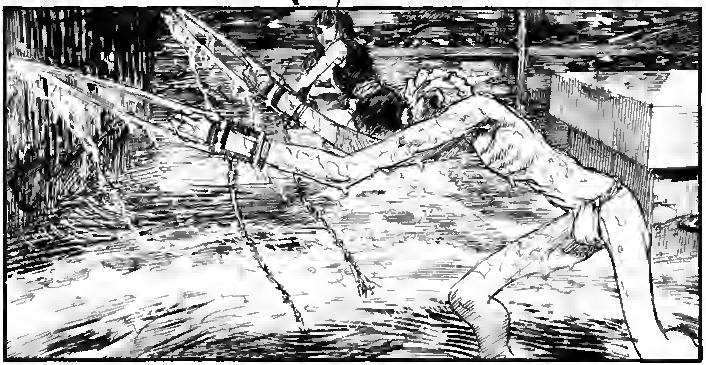

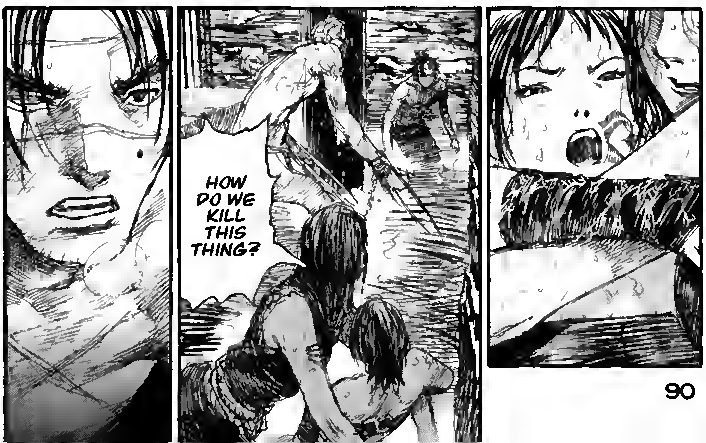
HOW DO WE KILL THIS THING?

YOU CAN NEITHER CAUSE A FATAL WOUND ---
---NOR CAN YOU CUT OFF HIS HEAD.
YOU CREATED A TRUE MONSTER.
PHEW ...
BURAN-- DO, YOU BASTARD !!
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING, CREATING SUCH A THING?!
IF I'D KNOWN, I WOULD HAVE GONE FOR ITS ARMS AND LEGS.
IF ONLY I HAD A SWORD, MAYBE I ---
SHIT!
NO, MANJI!

I HAVE AN IDEA!
DON'T WRAP THE CHAIN AROUND YOUR HANDS! LEAVE IT LOOSE!
RIN ...?

IT'S A MONSTER!
I CAME DOWN HERE FOR SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT!
I DON'T CARE IF IT'S A VICTIM OF THESE EXPERI-MENTS!
CHAPTER 130 END

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PART 10

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鬼の巣
〈其の十〉

NUMBER N-1 ...
WHAT IS SHE UP TO..?
I SAID THAT MANJI'S LIFE IS MORE IMPORTANT TO ME THAN THE LIFE OF ANY OTHER HUMAN.
DO YOU REMEMBER WHAT I TOLD YOU THIS MORNING ?
DOA ...
RIN ...

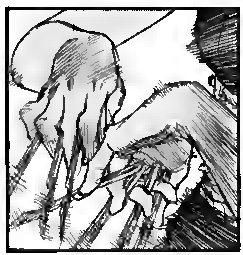
AND I WILL STAY TRUE TO MY WORDS ...

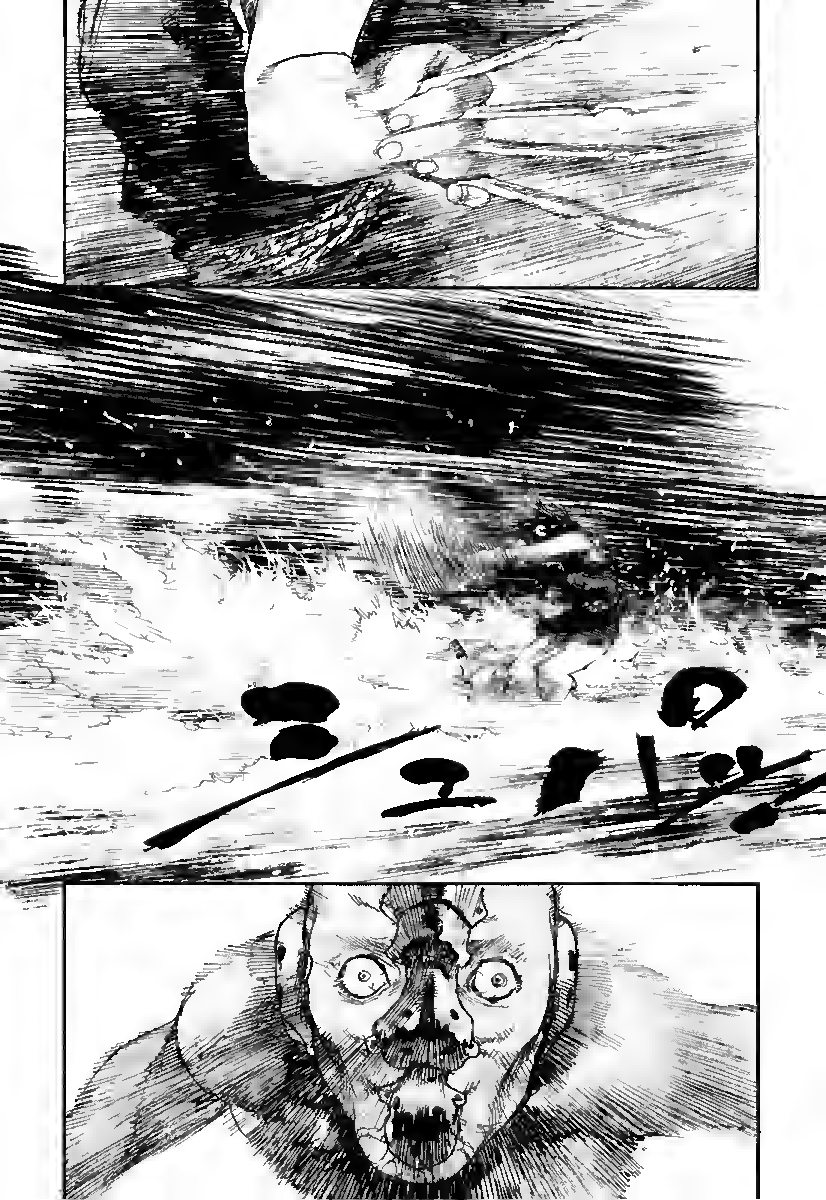
DON'T BE FOO-LISH!
HOW ?
EH ?
WHAT ...?!
MANJI, DOA, LOOK CLOSELY ...
I KNOW! KILLING HIM WAS NEVER MY IN-TENTION ...
YOU CAN'T KILL THIS MONSTER WITH ONLY A SCALPEL !!
HII ...
HII ...

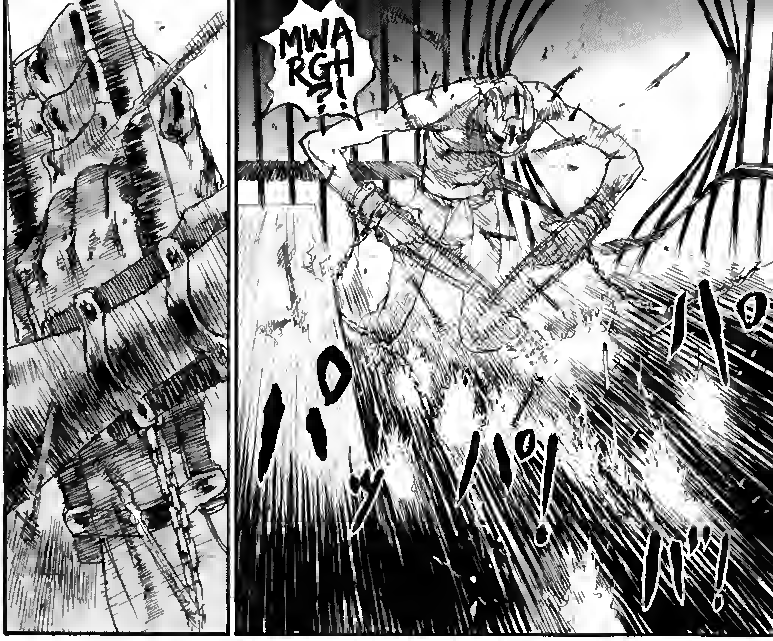
うんうん
EH
IZ
I SEE
...
ザアアー

BW AH!
GRU AH!
GRU AH!

GR RRA AH!






MWA RGH?!
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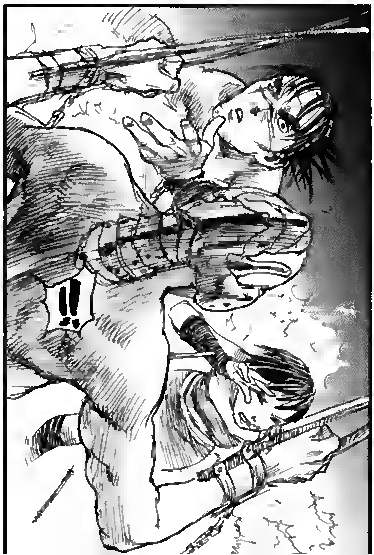
ハッ!
ハッ!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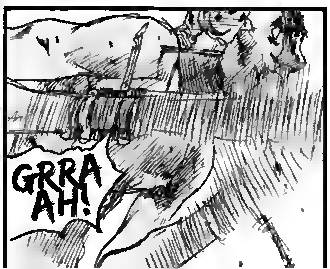
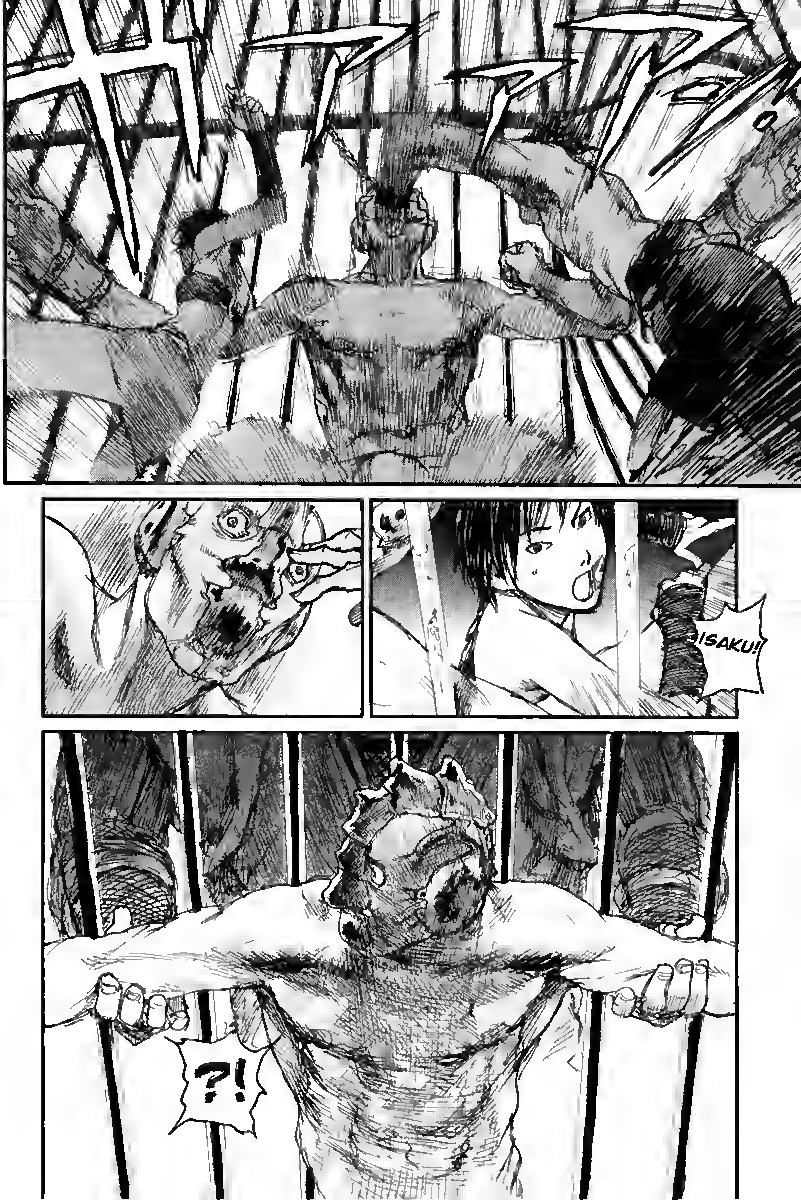
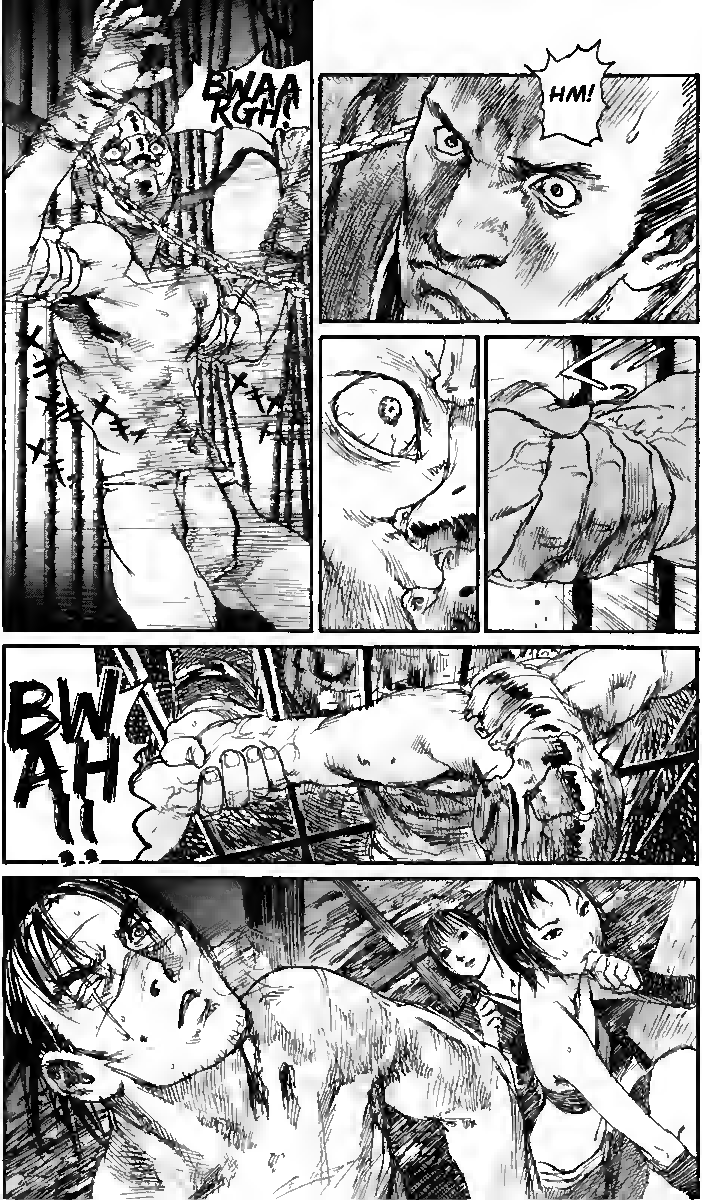

GRRA AH!

GRRRRAAAAAH...!


ISAKU!!
?!

BWAH
...


BWAA RGH!
HM!
BW AH!!

ガン ガン!
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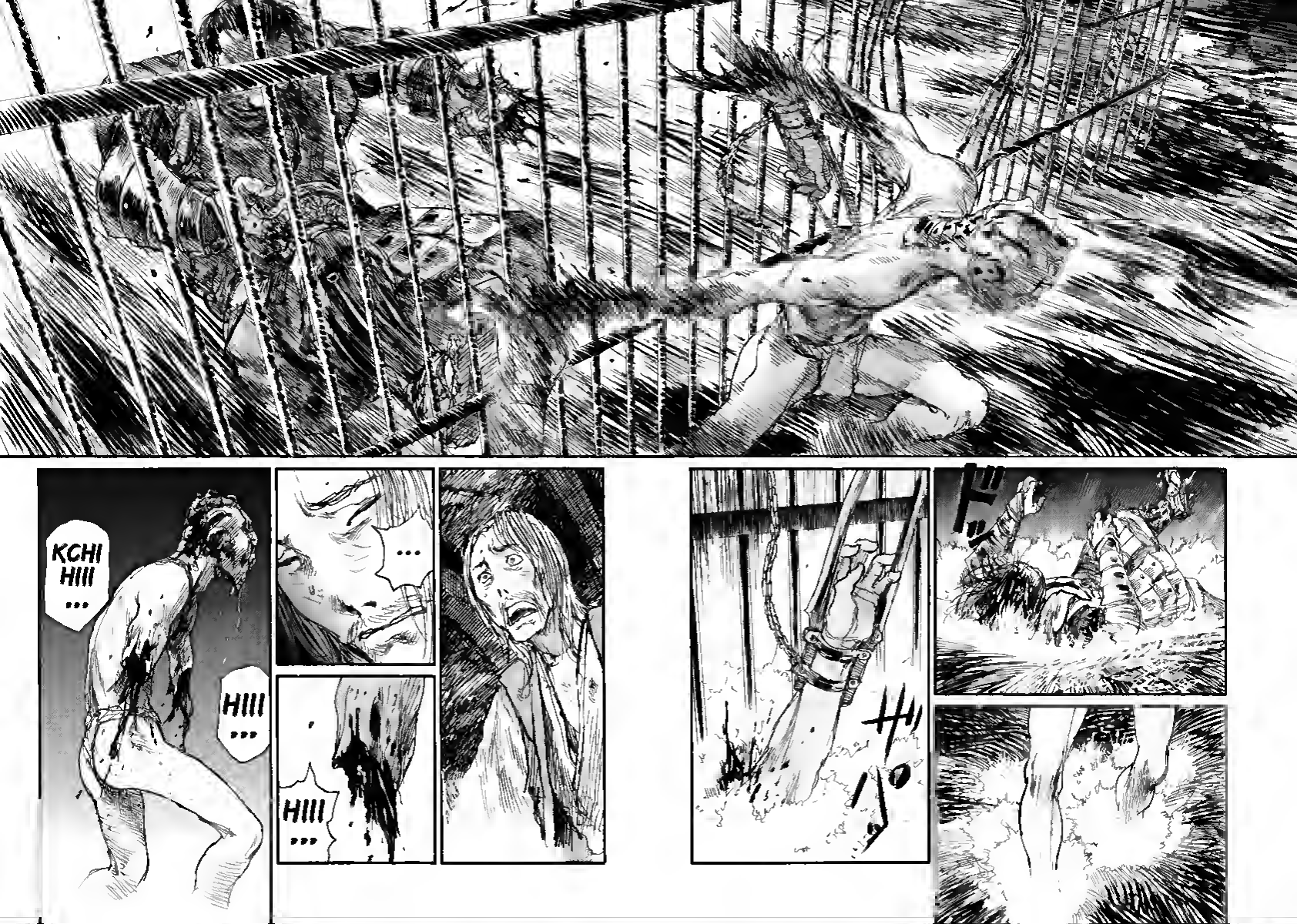
KCH !!!H H!
H!!!
GR RRR AH!
BWAAAH!
GR RAA AH!
BWA AAAR GH!


KCHI
HIII
...
HIII
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DOA!
MANJI!!

GR RAA AH!
BW AH!
GRRAAAH!
HY AAA AH!

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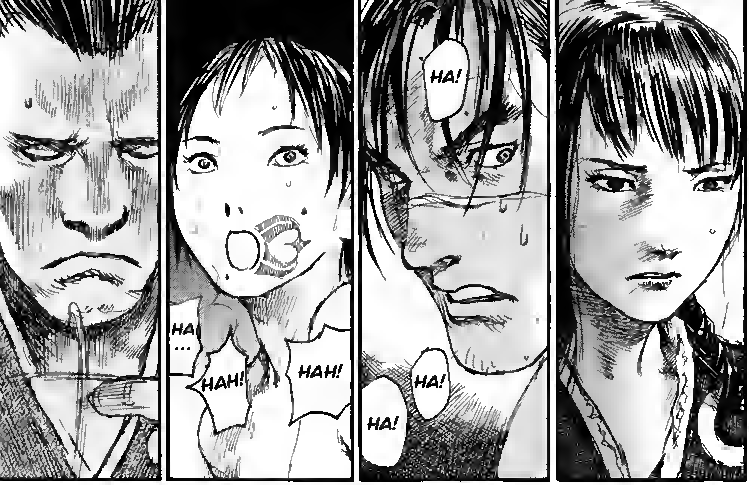
HA!
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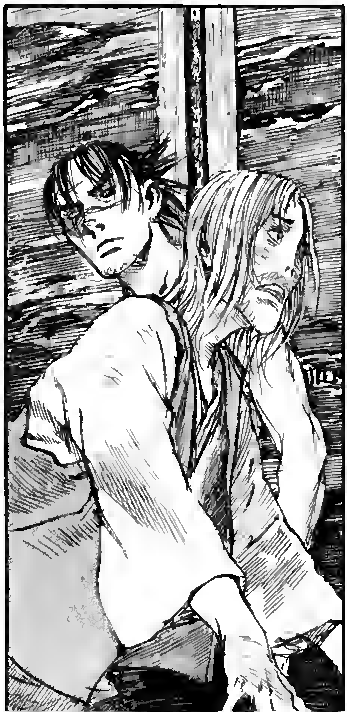
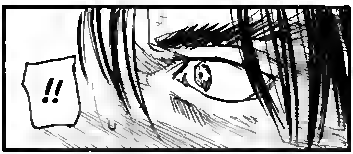
HAH!
HAH!
HA...
HA!
HA!

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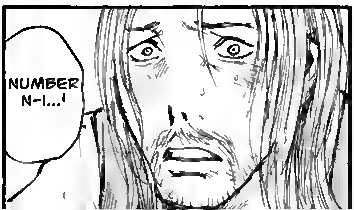
AH ...!
AAAAH!


NUMBER N-I...!

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.....
HELP!
...HE WASN'T ABLE TO FIGHT ANY-MORE
WITH HIS ARMS RIPPED OFF ...
DID YOU REALLY HAVE TO KILL HIM?

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NONE OF THAT MATTERS!
AFTER ALL, THERE'S A DOCTOR PRESENT!
CUT THE CRAP!
RIPPING OFF ARMS, SLITTING STOMACHS OPEN
...
BUT HOW WAS HE SUPPOSED TO GO ON LIVING, HUH?!
WE DIDN'T WANT TO KILL HIM!
YOU BROUGHT HIM HERE TO FIGHT, DIDN'T YOU?!
HIS ONLY PURPOSE IN LIFE WAS TO KILL!
LOOK AT WHAT HE'S BECOME!

HOW MANY MORE DO YOU WANT TO CREATE IN THE FUTURE?!
HOW MANY OF THESE MONSTROSITIES DID YOU CREATE?
COUNTLESS PEOPLE HAD TO DIE TO CREATE THIS! ARE YOU FREAKING CRAZY?!
HOW MANY PEOPLE DID YOU KILL FOR THIS?
DOES THIS LOOK LIKE THE RESULT HABAKI AND YOU SEARCHED FOR?!
YOU KILL HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE TO MAKE ONE PERSON IMMORTAL. DO YOU CALL THAT MEDICINE?!

YOU STOPPED BEING A DOCTOR AGES AGO.
FOR SOME-ONE LIKE YOU ...
...EVEN A HUNDRED DEATHS WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH.
LET'S AS-SUME ...
DEWA-NOSUKE WAS STILL ALIVE ...
...AND HERE NOW ...

I ONLY ONCE SAW AN INDICATION ...
...THAT HIS LIFE WAS MORE IMPORTANT TO YOU THAN YOUR RESULTS.
ONCE ...
HE WOULD PROBABLY SAY: "DON'T KILL HIM!" ...
YES, FOR A SHORT MOMENT, YOU REALLY WANTED TO SAVE THE PATIENT'S LIFE
BUT YOU COULDN'T EVEN MANAGE THAT ...
THE DEAD SHALL BRING YOU NIGHT-MARES FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE.
YOUR DEATH WOULD BE MEANING-LESS.
THAT'S WHY I WON'T KILL YOU.

DOA, ISAKU ...
YOU SHOULD LEAVE THIS PLACE QUICKLY ...
HURRY, GO NOW ...!
GO, BEFORE SOMEONE COMES!
SEE?! NOBODY'S THERE! WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR...?
WE'LL JOIN YOU ONCE WE GET RID OF MANJI'S CHAINS
AND YOU TWO ...?

WHAT ?!
I CAN BREAK THE CHAINS.
HE HE HE ...
BWAH HA HA!
YOU KNOW SOME INTERESTING GUYS, RIN!
HEH, COME ON THEN, GO AHEAD ...!
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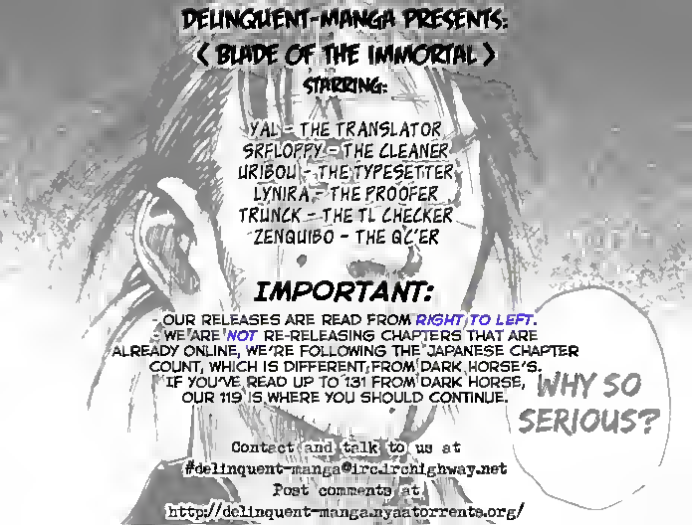
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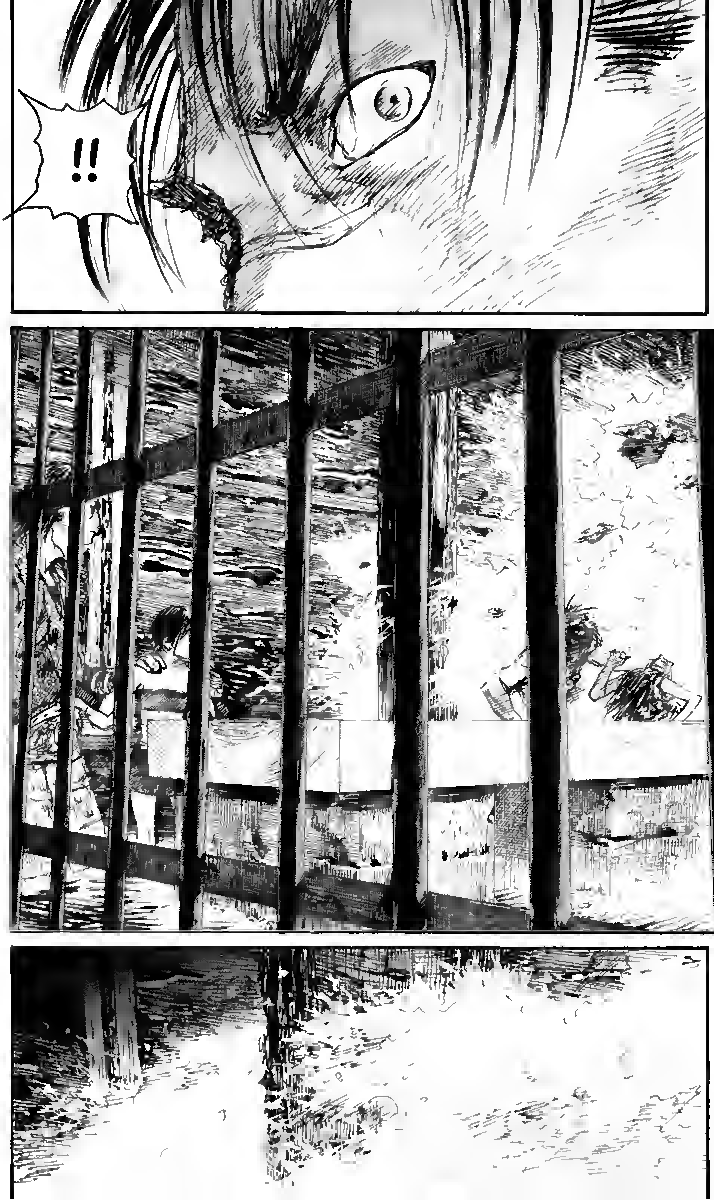
PART 11



UAAAH ...!
DWAH!
DOA!

DOAA...!

WHO KNOWS HOW FAR THE WATER WILL CARRY HER?!

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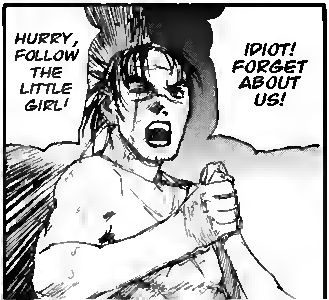
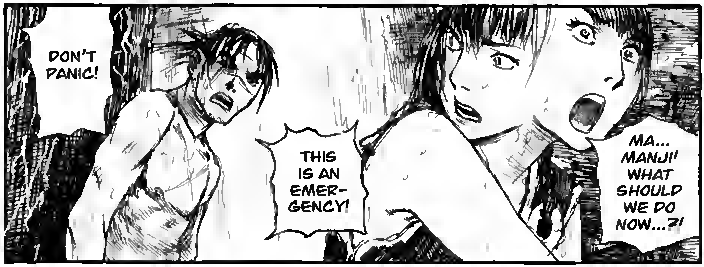
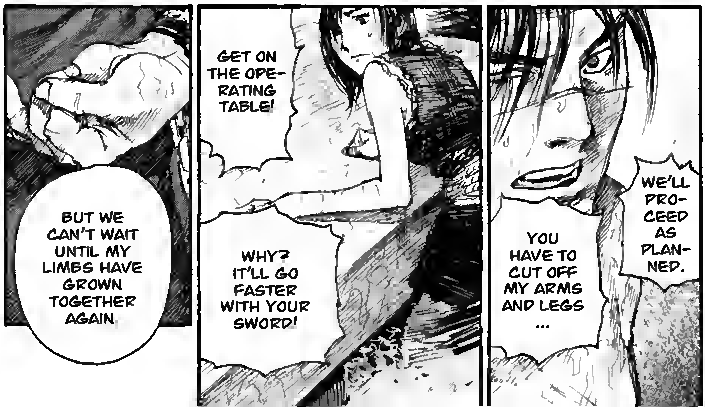

HURRY, FOLLOW THE LITTLE GIRL!
IDIOT! FORGET ABOUT US!


DON'T PANIC!
THIS IS AN EMER-GENCY!
MA... MANJI! WHAT SHOULD WE DO NOW...?!


BUT WE CAN'T WAIT UNTIL MY LIMBS HAVE GROWN TOGETHER AGAIN.
GET ON THE OPE-RATING TABLE!
WHY? IT'LL GO FASTER WITH YOUR SWORD!
YOU HAVE TO CUT OFF MY ARMS AND LEGS ...
WE'LL PRO-CEED AS PLAN-NED.

THERE'S NO OTHER WAY BUT TO CARRY THEM WITH US.
YES EH?!
WHO'S SUP-POSED TO CARRY THEM?!
WAAA?!
YOU, OF COURSE!
UHH ...
YOU SURE ARE A BRAVE GIRL!
OH WELL, LET'S GO!
FIRST ...

AH ...
WHAT ?
MANJI ?!

WHAT ...?
HOW IS THAT PO--?!

PWAH ...!
"OH, BAT..."

TO HOLD ONE'S BREATH AND PLAY DEAD UNTIL THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY, THAT'S THE "BAT".
AT MY AGE, I CAN ONLY MANAGE TO HOLD MY BREATH FOR FOUR AND A HALF MINUTES
"FLYING IN CIRCLES THROUGH THE CAVE, WHAT A DANGEROUS ART!"
UNGH ...
OH ...!
YOU'RE ALIVE!
MASTER YAMADA!

I DIDN'T KILL HUMANS FOR CENTURIES AND LEARN NOTHING.
THE TRICK ONLY WORKED BECAUSE MANJI USED A SCALPEL.
I TURNED MY HEAD SLIGHTLY ...
...JUST BEFORE I WAS HIT ...
...SO THAT THE BLADE HIT BETWEEN THE ARTERY AND THE TRACHEA.
MANJI STEPPING ON MY CHEST AFTER-WARDS ...
I GUESS HE DID BREAK A FEW RIBS.
...WAS MUCH MORE PAINFUL.
I'LL BE SURE TO RETURN THE FAVOR, MANJI.

IRON CRU-SHER!

MANJI
...

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DO YOU REMEMBER THE STORY ABOUT THE FRESH LIVER?
HE HE HE ...
YOU JUST WON'T GIVE UP, EH?
WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO?
AS YOU CAN SEE ...
...I ALSO HAVE TUBER-CULOSIS.

...THAT IT'LL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO CURE WITHOUT YOUR LIVER.
I FEAR ...
I'LL CUT OFF YOUR LIMBS BEFORE THAT...
DOES THAT MEAN I'LL BE SLICED UP AT YOUR PLACE NEXT?

AND NOW THE RIGHT ONE!

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…?!
HYAAAH!
ッ!!
HN NFF !!

RIN, PULL UP THE CHAIN!
Y-YES!

UA AA AH !!
HM PH !!
ガガガガ!

MASTER!
KCHHHH...
IRON CRU-SHER
HNGH...

UA AAH ...!
MAST- ...
IRON CRU- SHER
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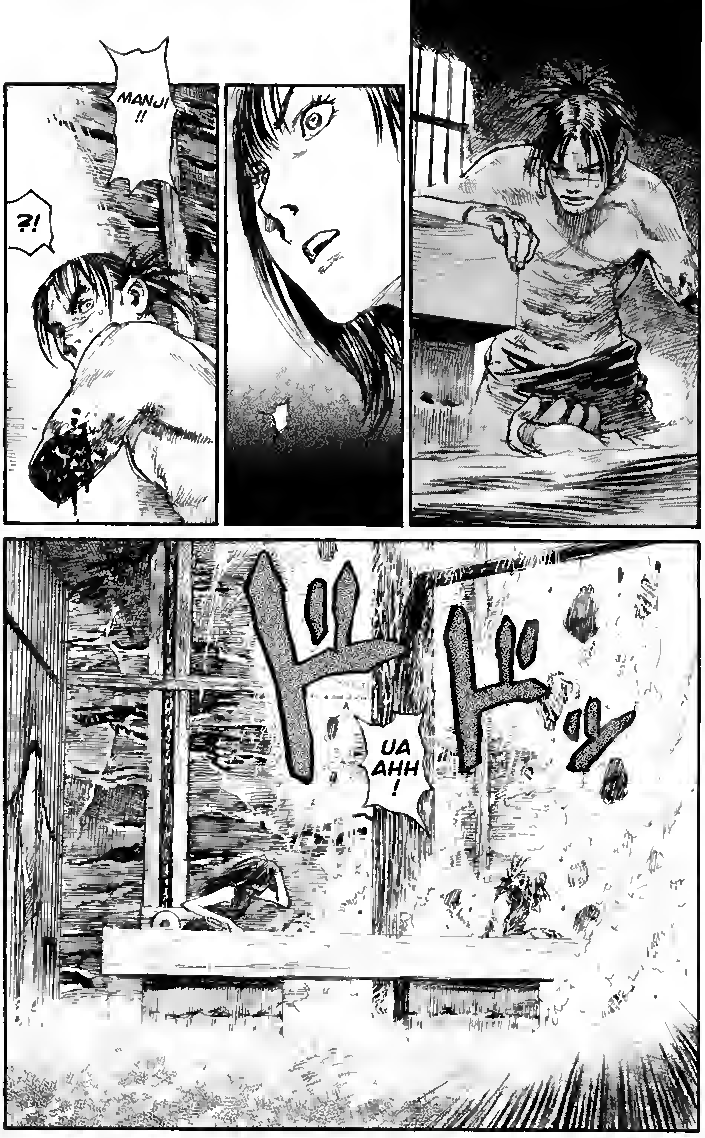
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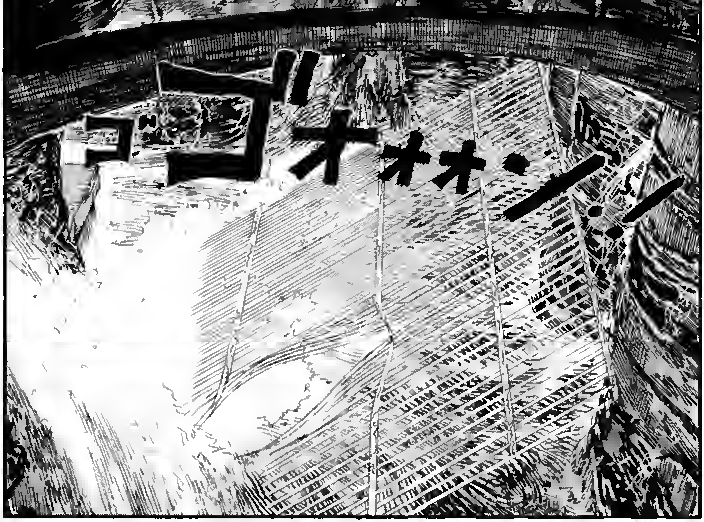
UA AHH !

AH!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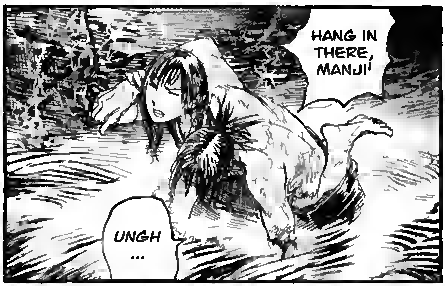
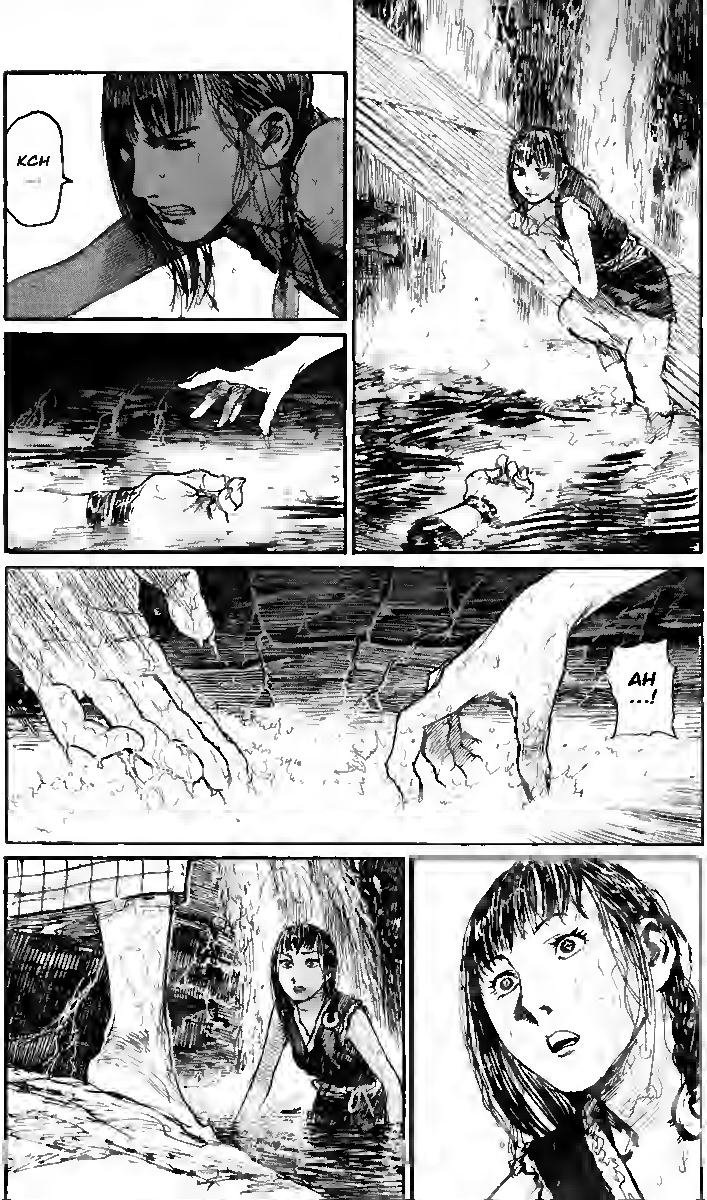

HANG IN THERE, MANJI!
UNGH ...

RIN ...
PLEASE MY ARM!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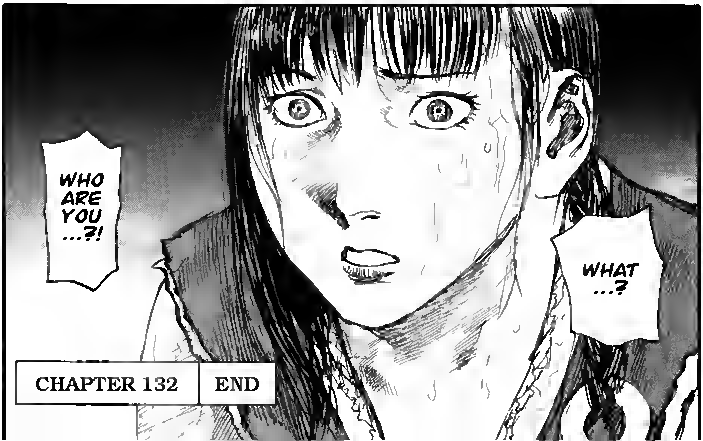
AH ...!


WHO ARE YOU ...?!
WHAT ...?
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DEMON'S LAIR
PART 12

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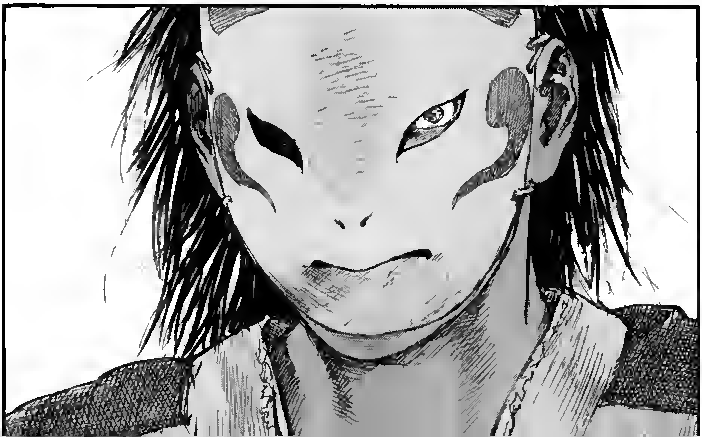
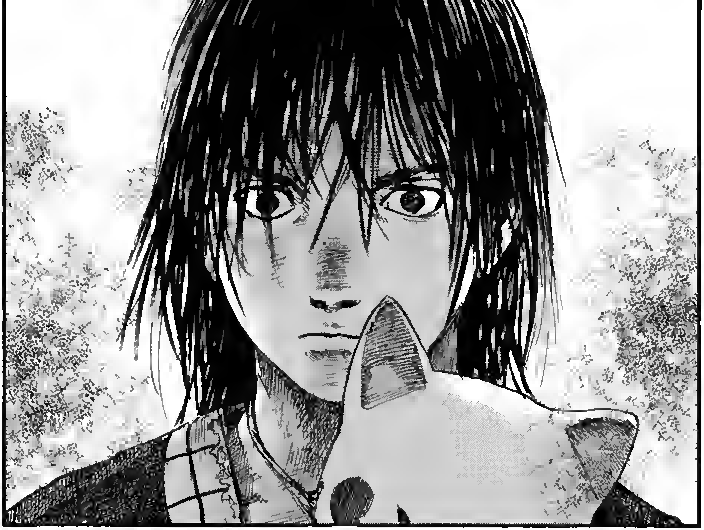


WHO ARE YOU?
WAIT...!
THIS MASK!
I KNOW YOU ...



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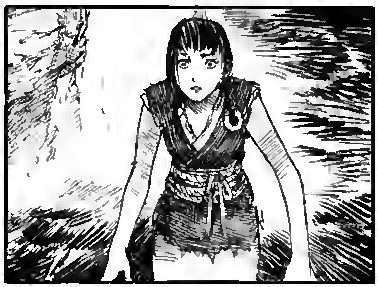
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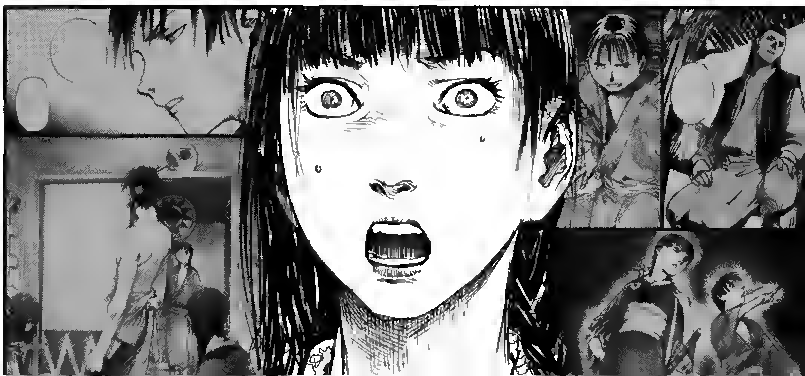


WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
HOW ...?
YOU ...?
WHAT ...?
...THE ARM!
..GIVE ME...
PLEASE
LISTEN ...
.....
.....

.. RENZO!
PLEASE ...
THIS ARM IS VERY IMPOR-TANT TO ME
YOU DON'T NEED IT, RIGHT?
BUT I ...
AH...!
THANK YOU ...

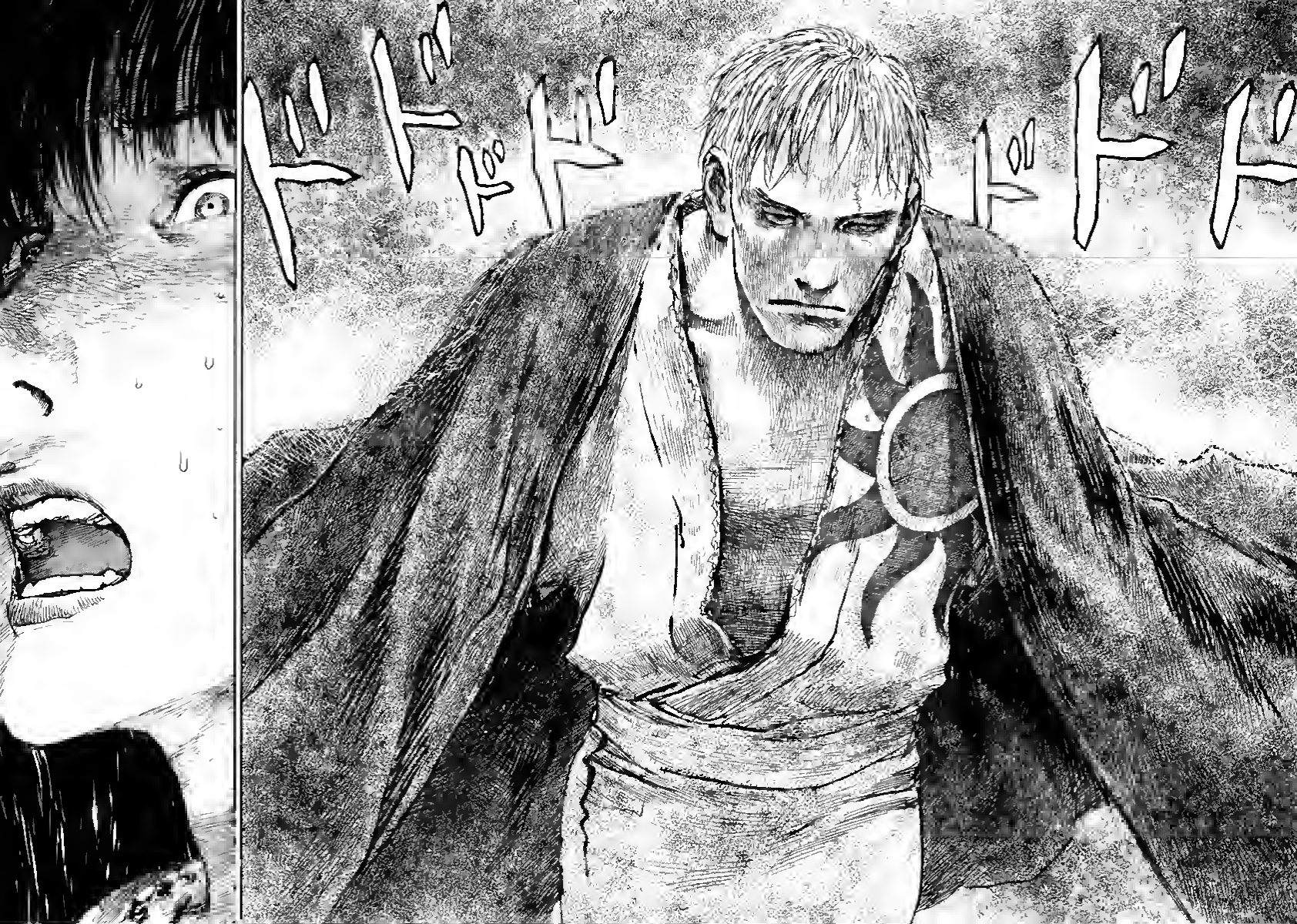
...?
!!
RIN
...
WHERE'S
...
...MY
ARM?

PLEASE HURRY UP..!
THE KESSEN-CHU.. IN THE WATER, THEY CAN'T ...
...THE BLOOD... WILL...

RE ..
RENZO ...
....
RENZOO OOOO!!
!!

YOU'RE AN IDIOT!
WHY DID YOU GO IN THERE?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
DO YOU WANT TO SWIM TO THE OTHER SIDE?
THIS VOICE ...
RENZO ...
...?

COME BACK!
YOU BETTER COME QUICK ...
...OR I'LL GIVE YOU A GOOD BEATING.
AH ...!
THAT ...
FOOF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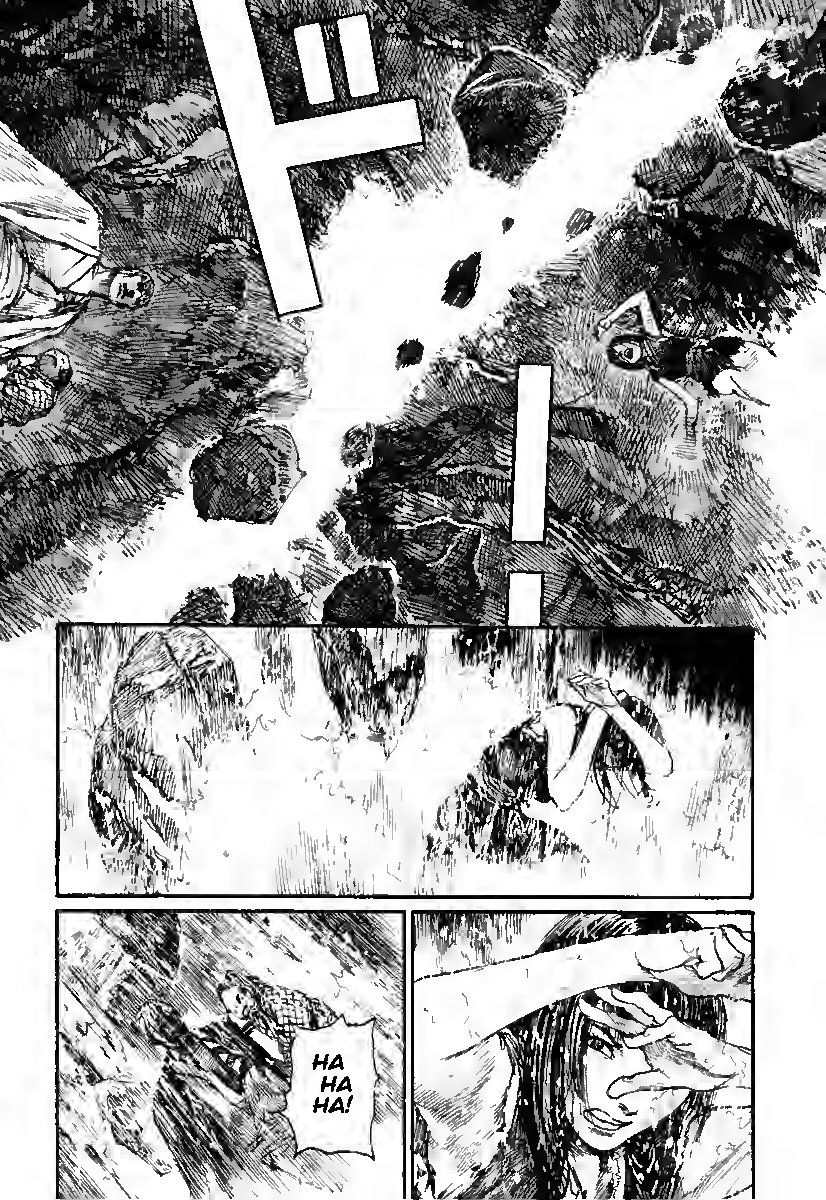
?!
RENZO ...!

WHO'S THE ONE WHO CAN BARELY STAND?
...THE GUY WHO KILLED YOUR FATHER.
IF IT AIN'T ...
OH, LOOK AT THIS.

HE HE HE ...
WHAT DO YOU SAY ...?
SHOULD I HELP YOU AVENGE YOUR FATHER?
OH WELL ...
RENZO ...

OH ...
HE HE HE HE ...
THIS MAN IS ...
NO! DON'T RENZO!


HA
!
HA
HA
HA!

BWAHA HA HA HAAA!
MANJI ...!

I'LL KILL YOU BEFORE SPRING ARRIVES!
I'LL KILL YOU BEFORE SPRING ARRIVES!
HAVE FUN TILL THEN, YOU TWO!

FWAAAH...!
HFF...
I'M DROWNING...!
...?!
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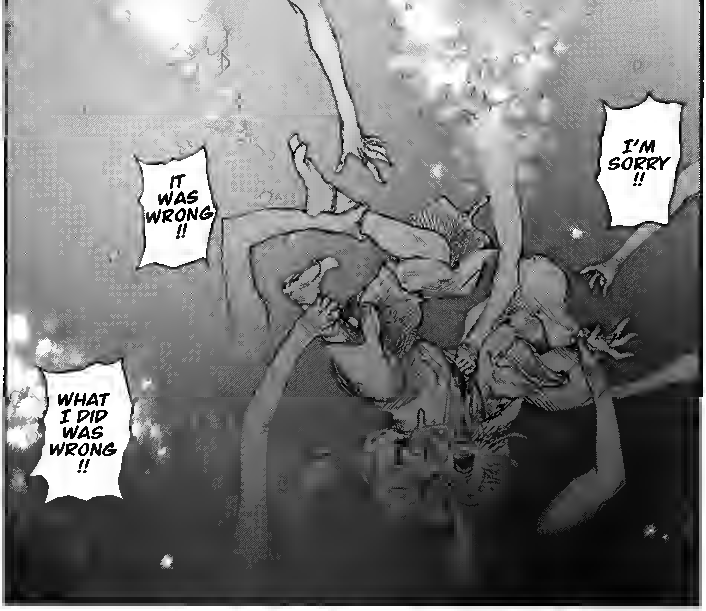
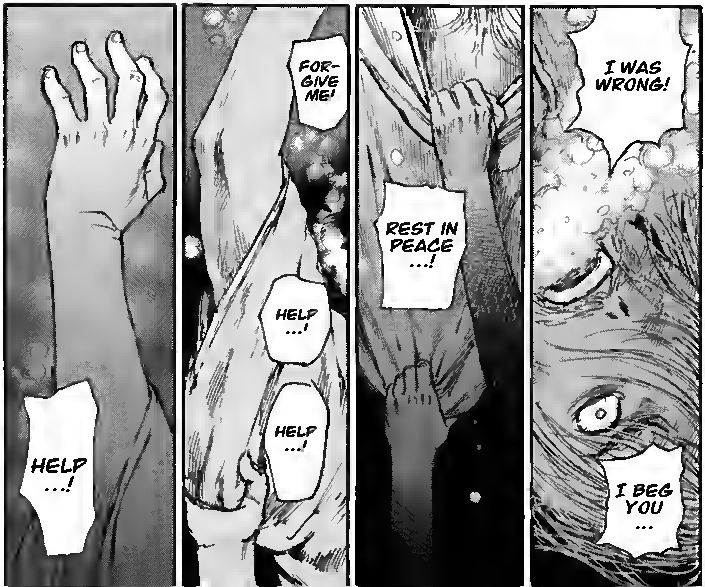
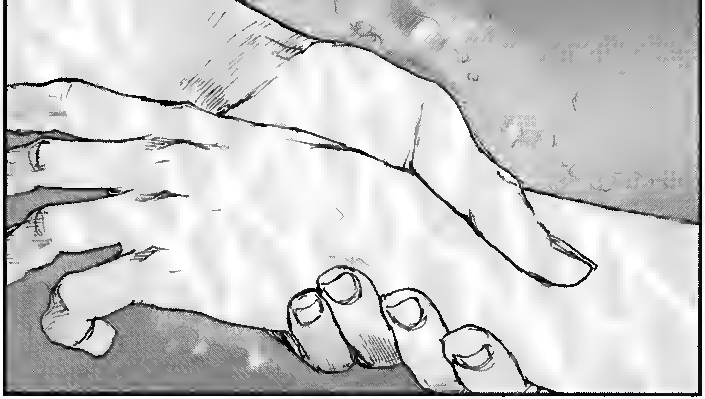
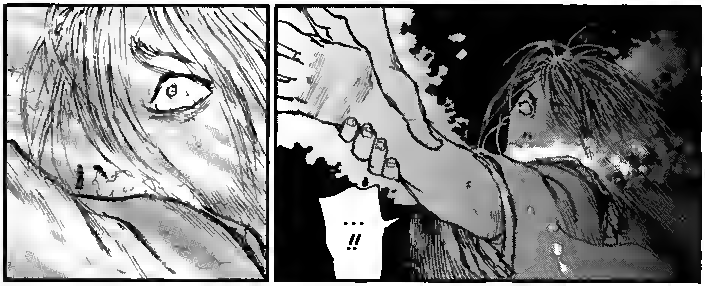
UAAAAH!!
UAAAAH!!


I'M SORRY !!
IT WAS WRONG !!
WHAT I DID WAS WRONG !!


I WAS WRONG!
I BEG YOU ...
REST IN PEACE ...!
FOR-GIVE ME!
HELP ...!
HELP ...!
HELP ...!

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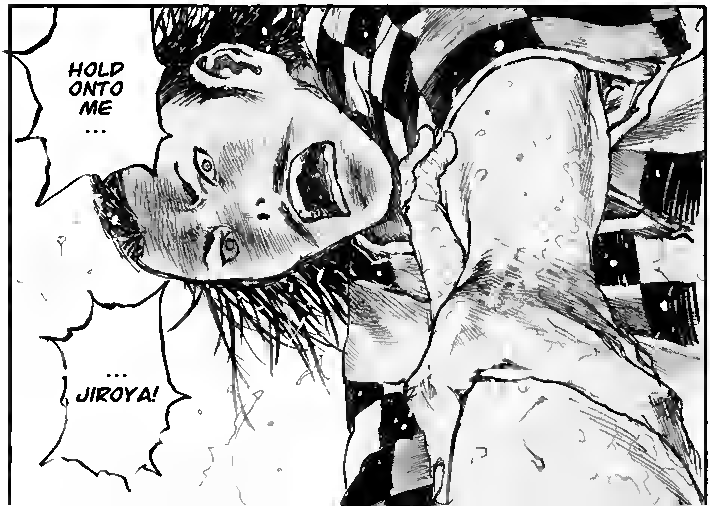
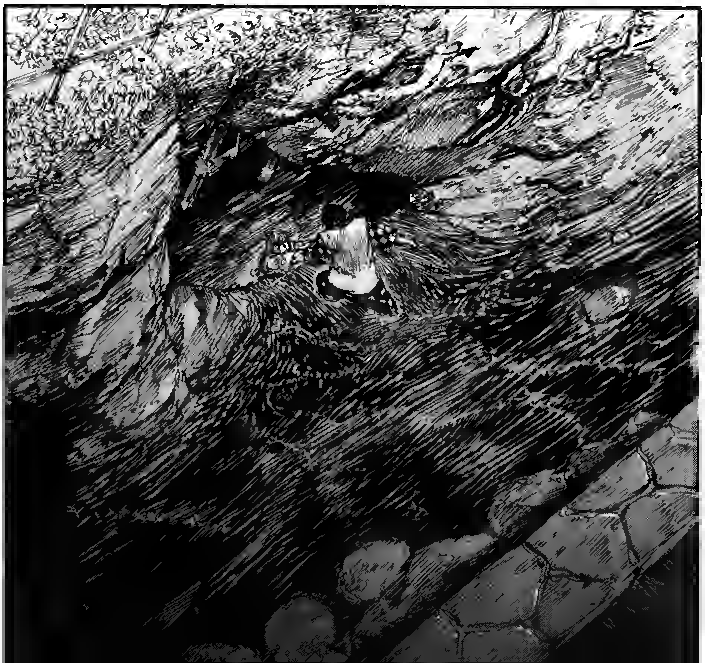

HOLD ONTO ME ...
... JIROYA!

YOU
...
...BRO-
THER
...?!



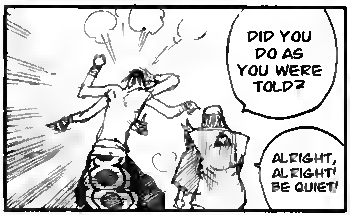
STOP, MISTER MURA-UCHI!
WHAT? GO AWAY!
AIM AT THE MOB; WE'LL TEACH THE PLEBS A LESSON!
THEY'RE STILL HERE?!
IF THAT'S HOW IT IS ...
I THINK THERE'S NO OTHER CHOICE BUT TO OPEN THE GATE, IF YOU WANT TO SOLVE THE SITUATION.
I'VE ASKED AROUND IN THE PALACE ...
...NOBODY REMEMBERS TURNING THESE PEOPLE IN.
I'M IN COMMAND, AS LONG AS HABAKI'S ASLEEP!
DIDN'T KAGIMURA HABAKI ORDER US TO KEEP EVERYTHING UNDER CONTROL UNTIL HE COMES BACK?
ARE YOU ASKING ME TO LET THE LEADERS ESCAPE UN-PUNISHED?
IDI-OT!

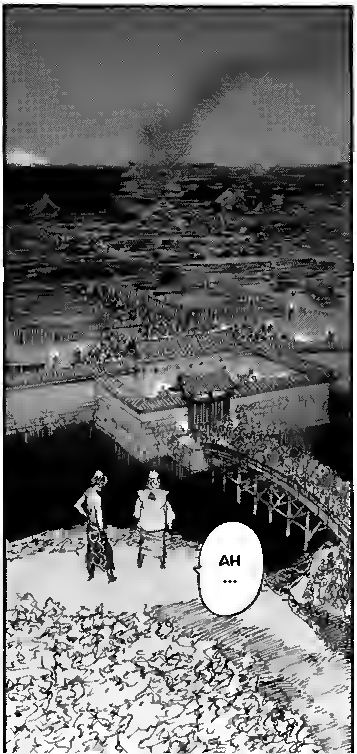
SI-LENCE!
UNGH...
JUST FIRE A WARNING SHOT
BUT THAT COULD BE THE LAST DROP!
WE DON'T KNOW WHAT'LL HAPPEN IF WE DECIDE TO SHOOT AT THE MOB!
BUT THEIR NUMBERS HAVE IN-CREASED!
KONO, TERASHIMA, SOMA, KAIJWARA, BRING THE BOWS!
SOME-BODY CALL THE FIRE SHOO-TERS!
MISTER SHI-NODA ...
UMPH!
PARDON ME!

I'LL VOUCH WITH MY LIFE IF ANYTHING HAPPENS!
OPEN THE KAJI-BASHI GATE!

I'M CONVINCED IT'S POSSIBLE.
WHATEVER HABAKI AND MURAICHI SAY, THIS MATTER CAN BE SOLVED WITHOUT BLOODSHED.

?
SO THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED DURING YOUR MISSION ...


DID YOU DO AS YOU WERE TOLD?
ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT! BE QUIET!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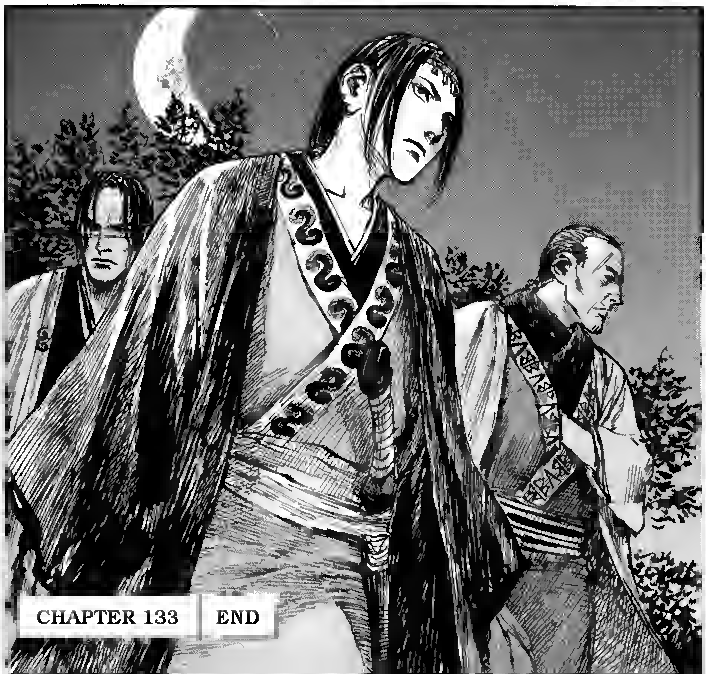

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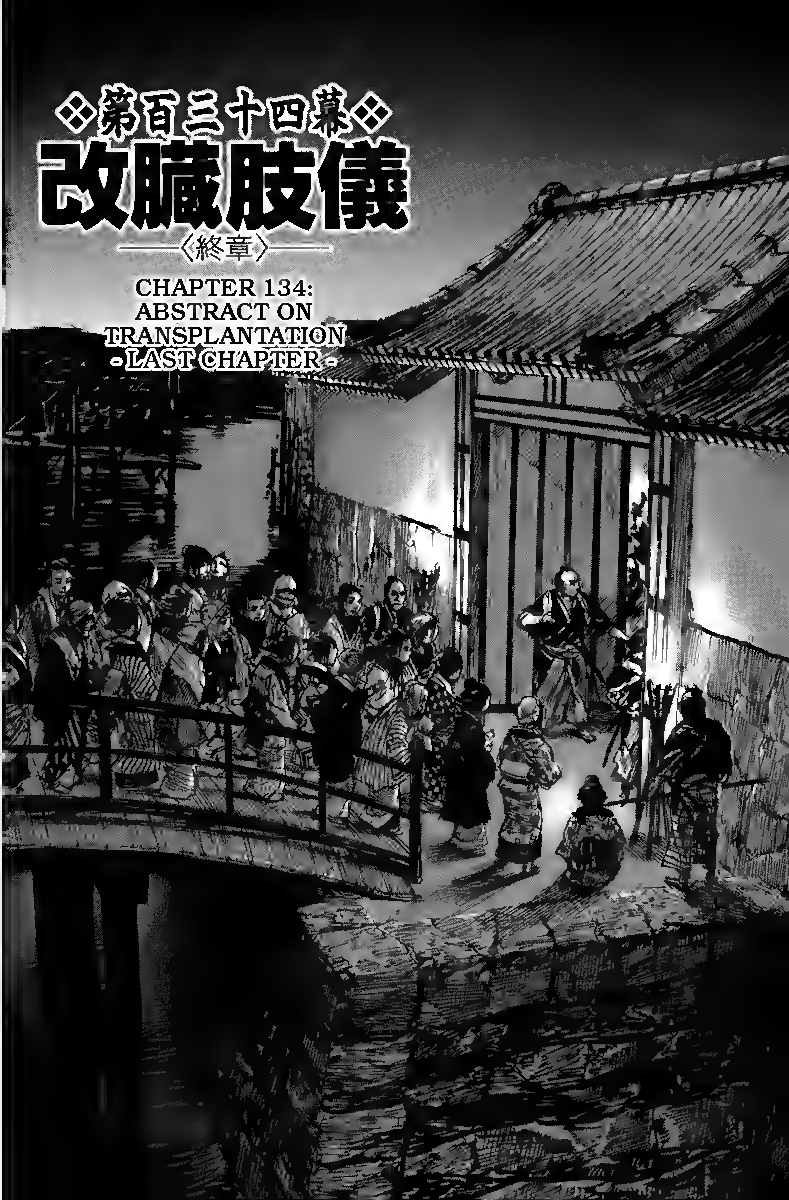
OPEN THE GATE! OPEN THE GATE!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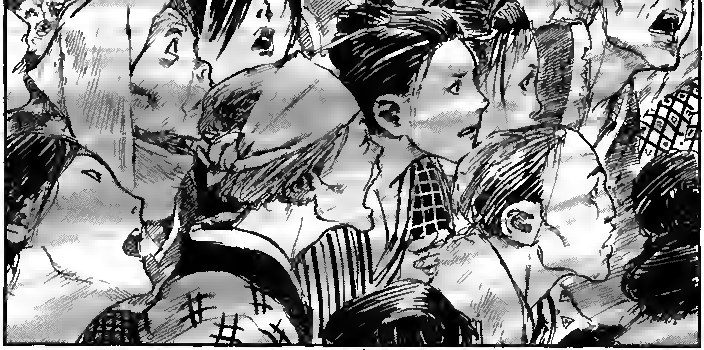
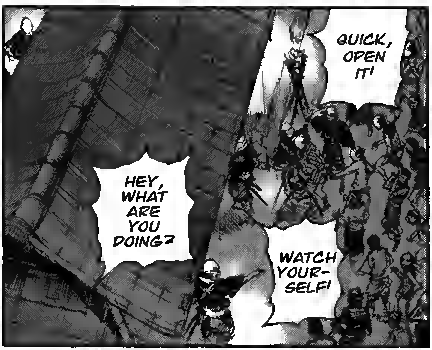
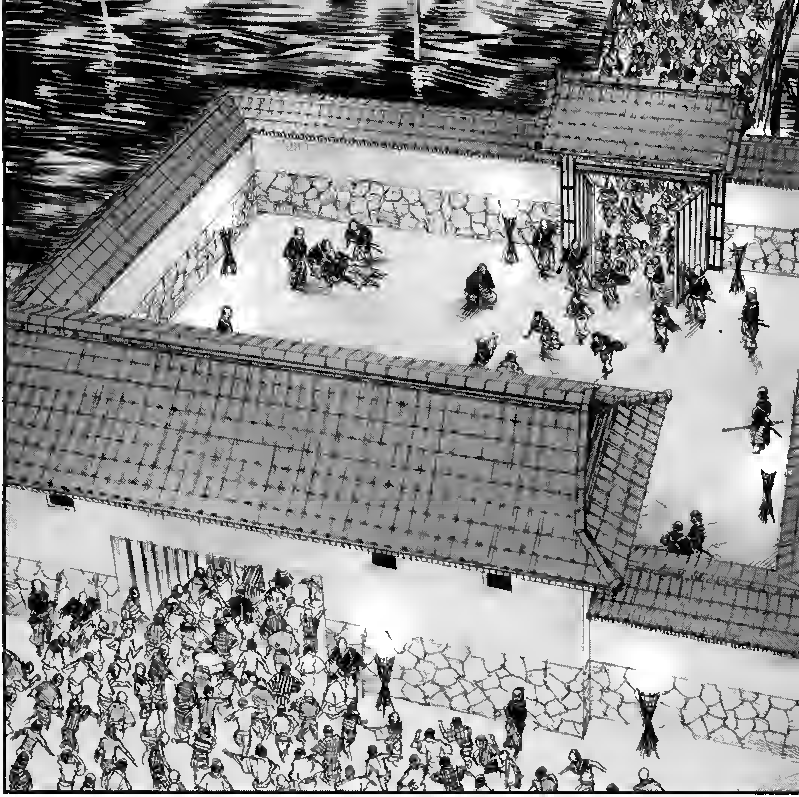
TRANSPLANTATION
-LAST CHAPTER-

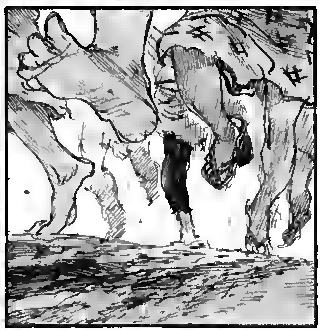


HEEEY!

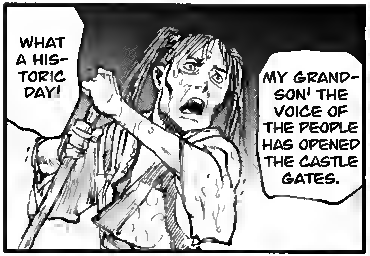

QUICK, OPEN IT!
HEY, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
WATCH YOUR-SELF!

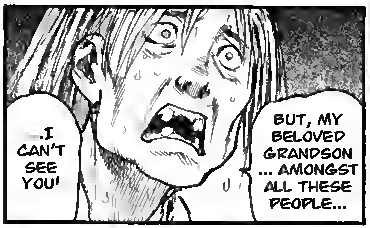


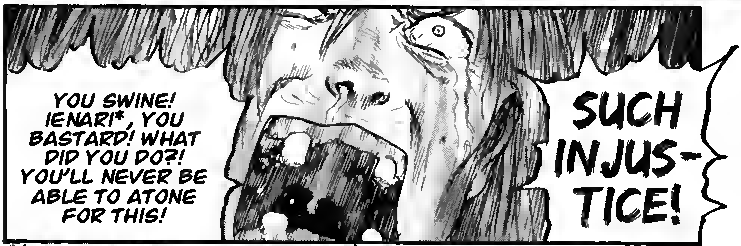
HEYYY
YONE
DAE-
LING!



BE CAREFUL TO NOT EMBRACE THE WRONG ONE!
GO, HURRY!







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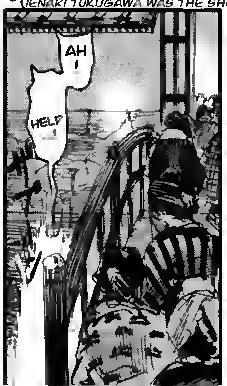
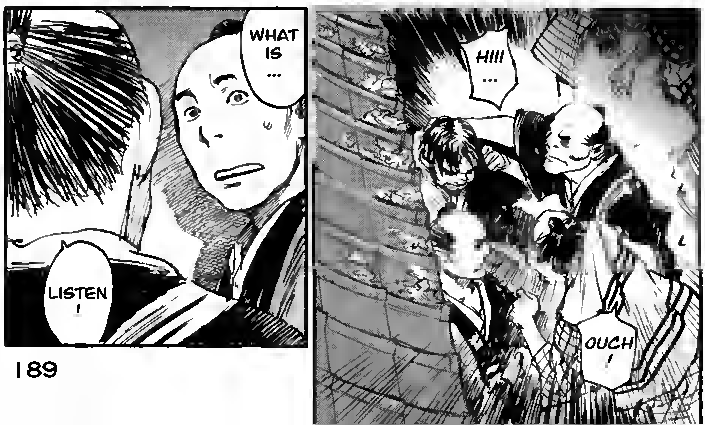


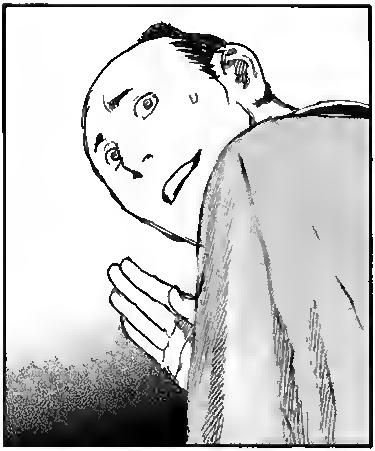
SEI-JU!
UAH!

HEY, YOU THREE!
HM ?
EVERY-THING OKAY?
Y-YES

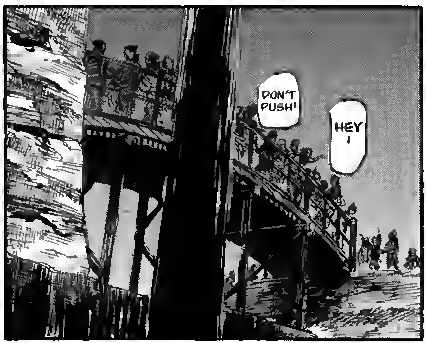

WHAT IS ...
LISTEN !
HI!! ...
OUCH !

I WAS A GUARD IN THE DUNGEON UNTIL YESTERDAY EVENING.
...!!
A MESSAGE FOR THOSE WHO KNOW ABOUT THE PRISON JUST ARRIVED ...
IT STATED THAT SOME INDIVIDUALS WITH A PERMIT FROM THE COUNCIL ...
...OPENED THE DUNGEON AND FREED THE PRISONERS.
IT ALSO MEN-TIONED ...
...THAT THEY WERE DRESSED AS DOCTORS.
IF WE FIND THAT PERMIT, WE FIND THEM.
NOW COME WITH ME FOR A BODY SEARCH.

HEY, WAIT!
?!
THAT'S NOT THEM!
WE'LL SEE ABOUT THAT.
A NEW MESSAGE ARRIVED JUST A SECOND AGO.
IT STATES THAT THREE DOCTORS WERE CAUGHT AT THE SUKIYA-BASHI GATE.
THEY HAD THE PERMIT.
WHAT?
WHY DIDN'T ANYONE TELL ME?
THE MESSAGE JUST ARRIVED!
THEY SUPPOSEDLY CONFESSED ALREADY. SHALL WE TAKE A LOOK?
SO THESE GUYS ARE COMMON PRISO-NERS? STRANGE ...
WELL, SCRAM!
GO!
YES... THANKS!



HMZ! MISTER KARUKO-ZAWA!


DON'T PUSH!
HEY!

I WAS LUCKY TO GET FLUSHED OUT HERE ...

HEEH!
I THOUGHT I WAS A GONER WHEN THE WATER GOT ME ...

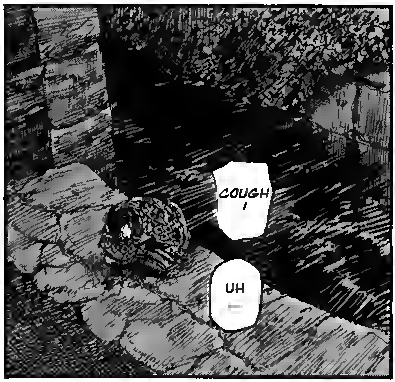
UAH ...!
HELP!
A GHOST! A MONS-TER!

UH. EXCUSE ME ....
COULD YOU LEND ME SOME MONEY?
LOOK AFTER THE GIRL!
I'M JUST GOING TO GET SOME CLOTHES ..
YESTER-DAY'S WAGE
SO THAT'S HOW WE MEET AGAIN, SCHNOZZLE
.....
.....

DOCTOR KURATA ...
BROTHER - NO ...
I USED TO KNOW A WOULD-BE DOCTOR ...
HE WOULDN'T LET ANY-ONE STOP HIM, NOT HIS MASTER, NOT MYSELF
HE JUST WANTED TO LEAVE FOR EUROPE

BACK THEN I CONDEMNED HIM. HE COULD STUDY WESTERN MEDICINE IN JAPAN JUST AS WELL.
BUT TODAY I NO LONGER BLAME HIM.
SEE ..
TAKE A LOOK DOWN THERE.
REGARD-LESS OF WHERE WE STUDY, OR WHAT WE LEARN .
...IF WE SHARE THE SAME GOAL, OUR PATHS SHALL CROSS ONCE MORE.
EVERY-BODY'S HAPPY THAT THEY'RE HEALTHY ...
... AND THEY'RE HAPPY TO SEE THE OTHERS ARE HEALTHY TOO.
THIS IS THE COMMON GOAL OF EASTERN AND WESTERN MEDICINE.

I'M SURE HE STILL FOLLOWS THAT PATH. I AM CONVINCED OF IT.


COUGH
UH

MASTER ...!

I HAD TO WATCH YOU DIE BECAUSE I CAN'T SWIM
...
MY INCOMPETENCE IS INEXCUSABLE
...

DO NOT BE CONCERNED, MASTER
YOUR UNWORTHY SERVANT BENKI WILL DO HIS DUTY
NOW THAT I THINK OF IT
...

I CAN'T REMEMBER
WHAT WAS IT?
ASAEMON YAMADA DIED AT THE AGE OF 79. HIS FAREWELL POEM: "OH, CRICKET BUZZING THROUGH HELL, WHAT ARTIFICIAL DANGER!"

YOU QUOTED A POEM IN THE MIDDLE OF THE FIGHT
...
IT SHALL BE YOUR FAREWELL POEM.
WHAT DID HE SAY...?

IT STARTED WITH AN ANIMAL
AND HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH "HELL"
...?

I'M SORRY... I WASN'T CAREFUL ENOUGH

AH, I REMEMBER! ASANO RIN ...

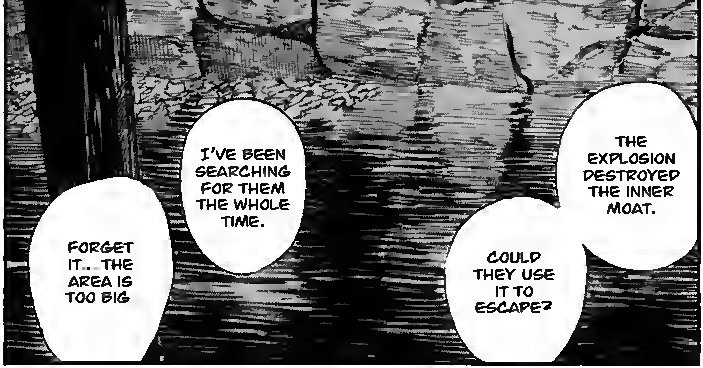
WHAT WAS HER NAME AGAIN...?
BUT SHE CAME WITH ANOTHER GIRL INTO MY SHOP ...

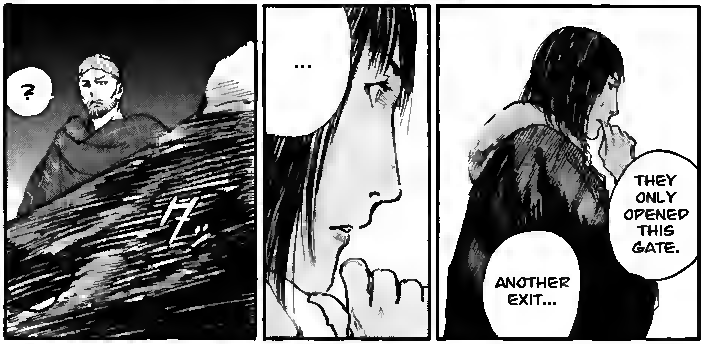
WITH THE MAP AND THE POWDER
I ASSUMED IT TO BE TOO HEAVY FOR DOA.

HA ...!
HAHA HA!
WELL, I NEVER!
SEEMS LIKE SHE'S DOING WELL... HAHA!
LOOK!
THE MASSES OF PEOPLE. THE SMOKE
TWO LITTLE GIRLS DID THAT.

DID YOU EVER SEE SOMETHING SO FUNNY?
MY WOUND IS SWOLLEN ...
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?!
OUCH, WAIT!

AH!
DAMN IT! WAIT!
IT'S ...
BUT IT HASN'T! LOOK!
YOUR WOUND SHOULD HEAL BEFORE IT CAN SWELL.
WE ARE IMMORTALS!
!
GIICHI! OVER HERE!
DAMN ..
NO
DID YOU FIND HER?
BUT DIDN'T SURVIVE THEMSELVES?
THEY FREED SO MANY PRISONERS ..


THE EXPLOSION DESTROYED THE INNER MOAT.
COULD THEY USE IT TO ESCAPE?
I'VE BEEN SEARCHING FOR THEM THE WHOLE TIME.
FORGET IT.. THE AREA IS TOO BIG


?
...
THEY ONLY OPENED THIS GATE.
ANOTHER EXIT...

HA
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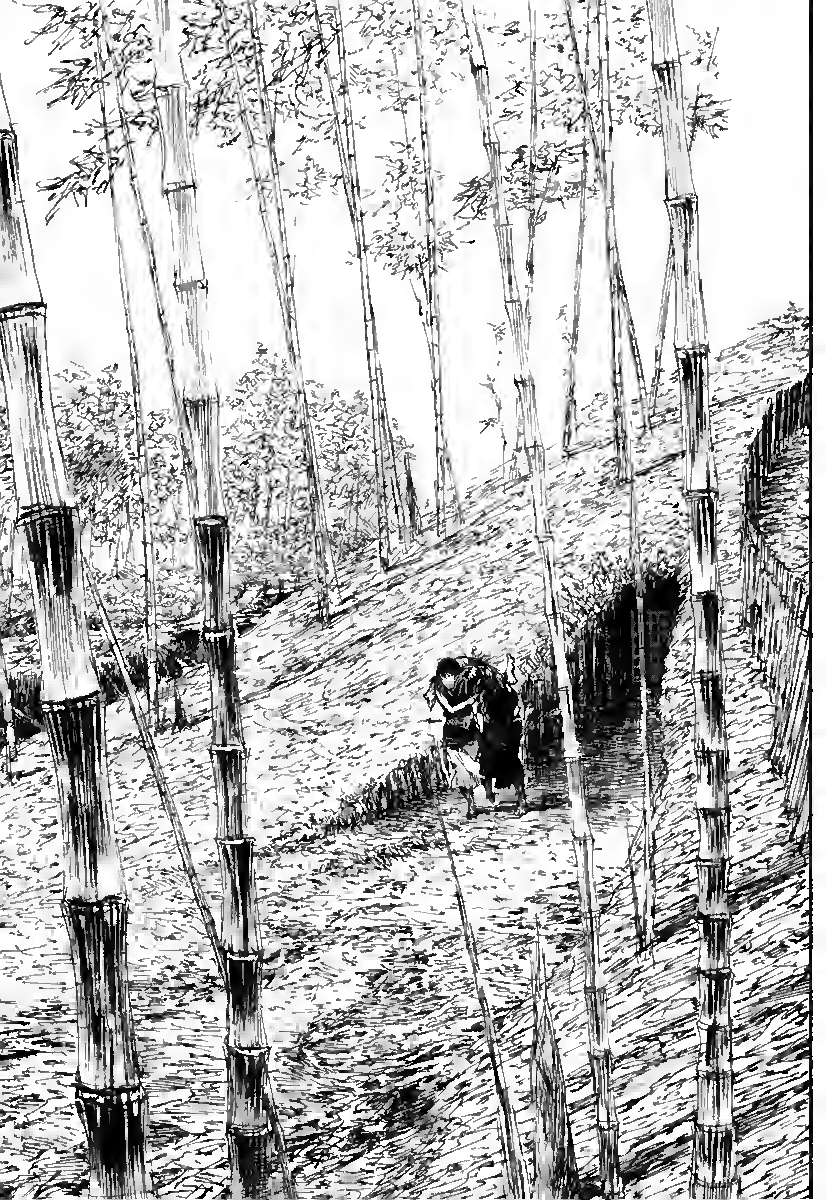
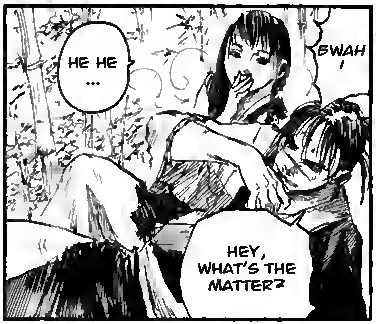
HA

HEY, HYAKU-EIN!

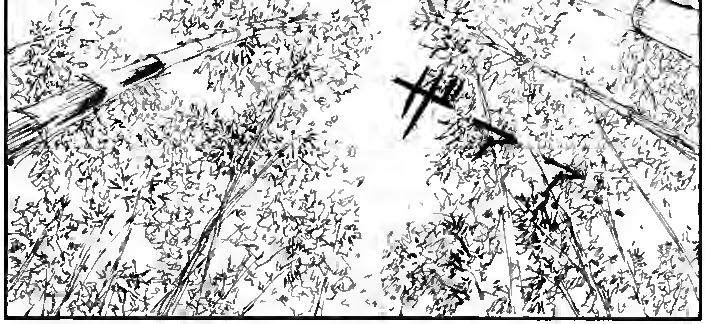
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA
HAA
HA
HA

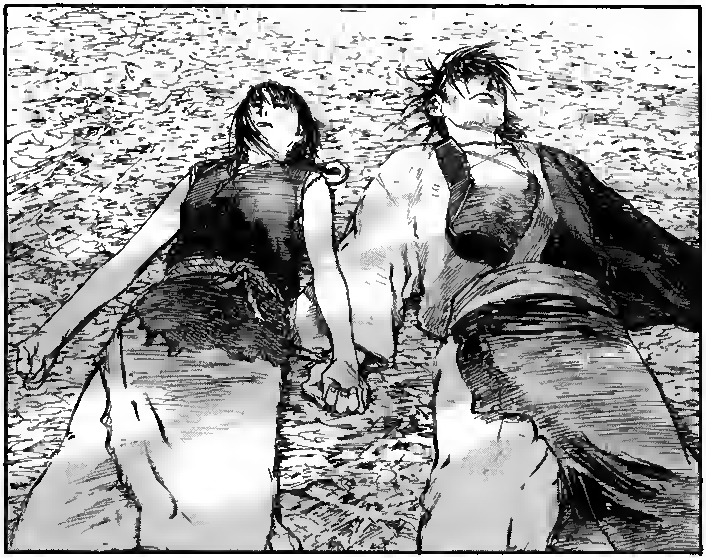


AH! SORRY!
YOU'RE AWAKE?
OW...
TSS!
HOW ELSE WOULD I WALK?!


HE HE...
BWAH!
HEY, WHAT'S THE MATTER?

HM?! UMPH...
PWAHH...!



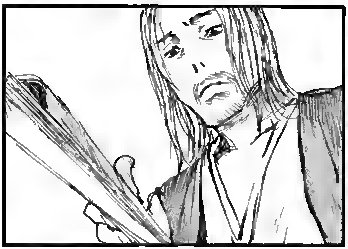


HOW ARE YOU FEE-LING ?

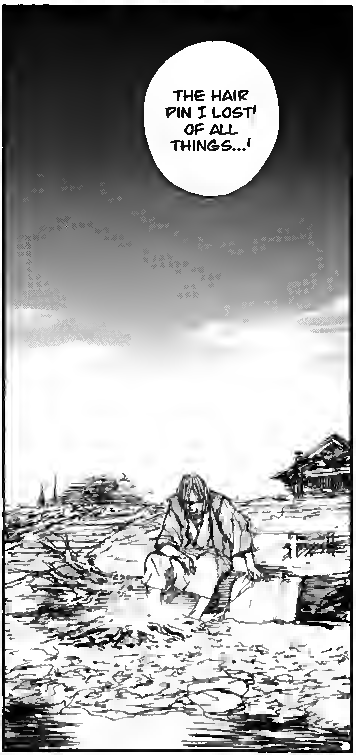
...I FEEL GREAT...
AT THE MOMENT ...
AND HUNGRY!
CAN'T YOU SAY SOMETHING DIFFERENT FOR ONCE?
ACTUALLY I'M HUNGRY TOO

HEAVE-HO!
HM...?
SAKI! LEAVE THE MOAT!
SORRY, SANE!
I STILL WANT TO PLAY!

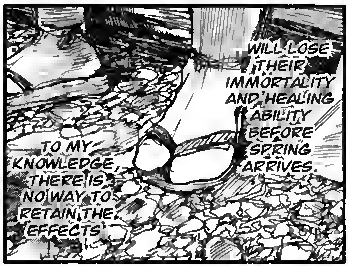
LOOK AT THIS.
AMAZING!
WHAT'S THE MATTER, KEI?

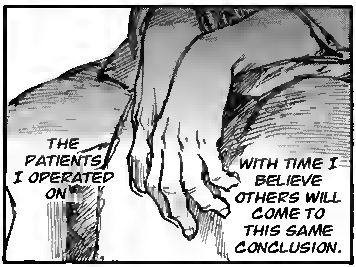


"ABSTRACT ON TRANS-PLANTATION" - LAST CHAPTER


THE HAIR PIN I LOST! OF ALL THINGS...!

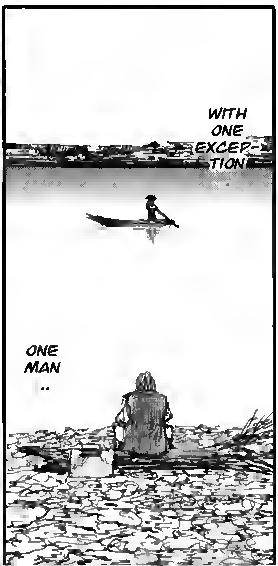
I CONCLUDE
...THAT I WAS DELUDED TO BELIEVE I HAD FOUND THE SECRET OF IMMORTALITY.

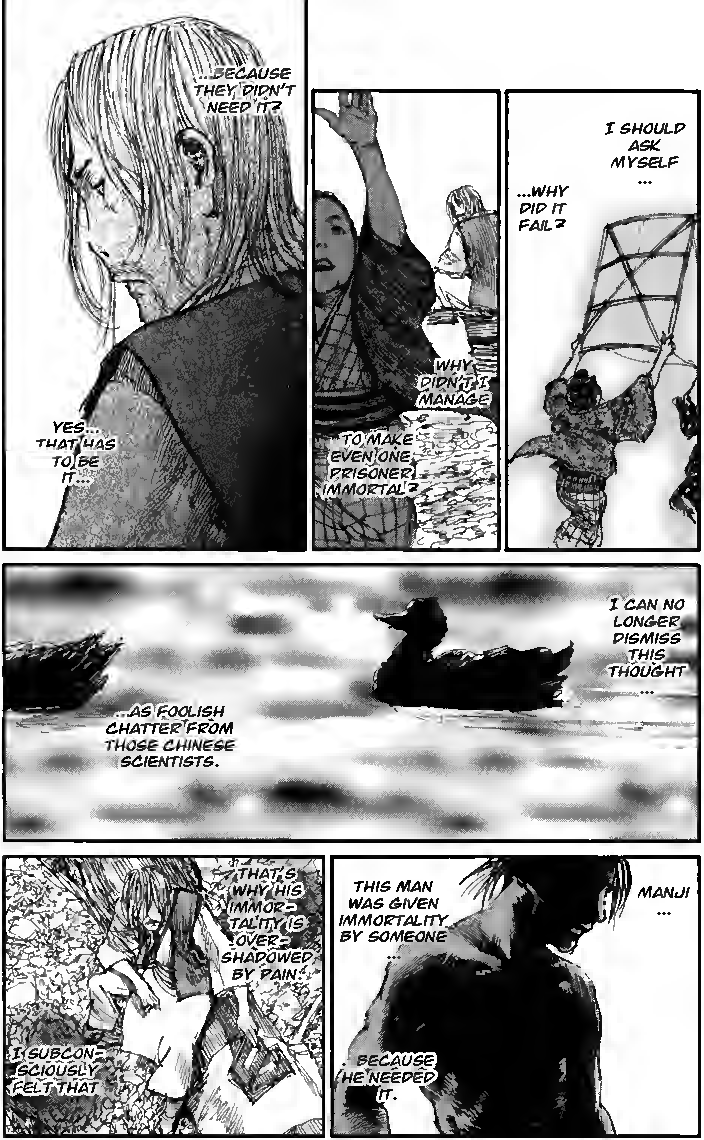

WILL LOSE THEIR IMMORTALITY AND HEALING ABILITY BEFORE SPRING ARRIVES.
TO MY KNOWLEDGE, THERE IS NO WAY TO RETAIN THE EFFECTS.


THE PATIENTS I OPERATED ON
WITH TIME I BELIEVE OTHERS WILL COME TO THIS SAME CONCLUSION.

I MUST THINK ABOUT SOME-THING ELSE.

NO! I HAVE TO PUT A STOP TO THIS!


WITH ONE EXCEP-TION
ONE MAN
..


...BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T NEED IT?
YES... THAT HAS TO BE IT...
WHY DIDN'T I MANAGE
TO MAKE EVEN ONE PRISONER IMMORTAL?
I SHOULD ASK MYSELF ...
...WHY DID IT FAIL?
I CAN NO LONGER DISMISS THIS THOUGHT ...
...AS FOOLISH CHATTER FROM THOSE CHINESE SCIENTISTS.
THAT'S WHY HIS IMMORTALITY IS OVERSHADOWED BY PAIN.
I SUBCONSCIOUSLY FELT THAT
THIS MAN WAS GIVEN IMMORTALITY BY SOMEONE ...
BECAUSE HE NEEDED IT.
MANJI ...

AROSE SOME-WHERE IN MY MIND.
...THIS SUSPICION ...
WHEN I WAS RE-PEATING THE EXPE-RIMENTS, DAY AFTER DAY...
IF ONLY ---
...I HAD ADMITTED THAT TO MYSELF EARLIER!
IF I WERE IN HIS PLACE, WOULD I WANT TO LIVE LIKE THAT?
NO! ABSOLUTELY NOT!

WE ARE NOT ENDOWED BY ETERNAL LIFE, BUT BY AN ENDING LIFE.
AND THAT'S GOOD, IT'S ENOUGH.

THAT'S WHAT MAKES A DOCTOR ...

CHAPTER 134 | END

APPENDIX

漫画界を腐らせる巨悪漫画家・沙村広明㉝の悪業すべてバラす!!

ガチ・醜聞・暴露!!!

●取材・文　本誌取材班

手抜きか、疲れか、作風か？　収録原稿の一部に未完の過去発覚！　真っ白な原稿が物語るのは、真っ赤なウソに塗り固められた、某漫画家の真っ黒な過去か――!?

「無限の住人」最新巻

仮に貴方が、とあるアイドルやバンドのライブに行ったとしよう。ところが生で聴いてみると、CDとは似ても似つかぬヘタっぴさで驚くに堪えず、以後すっかり冷めてしまったら。このような経験をお持ちの方は一回と多いのではないだろうか。

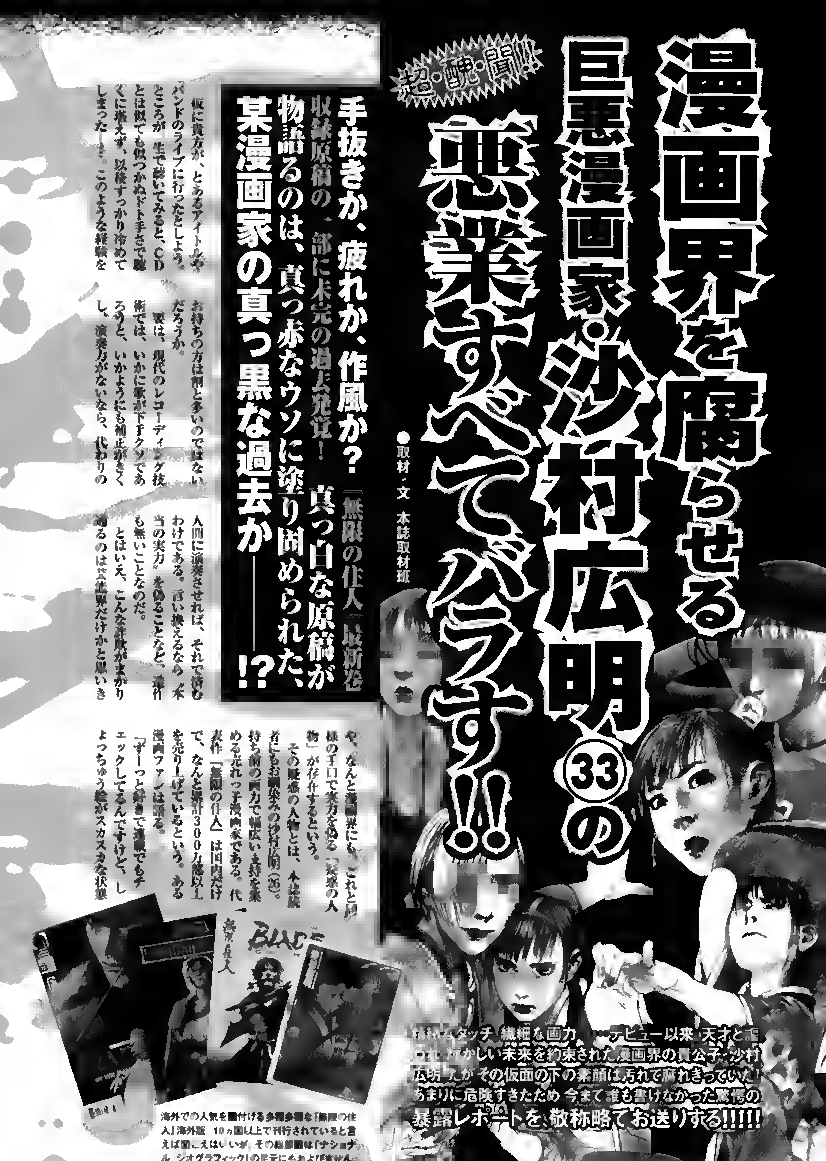
要は、現代のレコーディング技術では、いかに歌がヘタクソであろうと、いかようにも補正がきくし、演奏方がないなら、代わりの人間に演奏させれば、それで済むわけである。言い換えるなら、本当の実力を偽ることなど、造作も無いことなのだ。

とはいえ、こんな評論まがりのは三流評論だけかと思いきや、なんと漫画界にも、これと同様の手口で実力をごまかす「偽漫の人物」が存在するという。

その疑惑の人物とは、本誌読者にもお馴染みの沙村広明（㉝）。持ち前の画力で幅広い支持を集める売れっ子漫画家である。代表作「無限の住人」は国内だけで、なんと累計300万部以上を売り上げているという、ある漫画ファンは語る。

「ずーっと続いて連載でもクオリティーとしてるんですけど、しょっちゅう載せスカスカな状態

海外での人気を裏付ける参考資料を「無限の住人」海外版　10ヵ国以上で刊行されていると言えば聞こえはいいが、その裏側は「ナショナル　ジオグラフィック」の足元にもおよばぬ



圧倒的タッチ　繊細な画力　デビュー以来「天才と言われ続けた」未来を約束された漫画界の貴公子・沙村広明氏がその仮面の下の素顔は、汚れて腐れきっていた！　あまりに危険すぎたため　今まで誰も書けなかった驚愕の暴露レポートを、敬称略でお送りする!!!!

連載の単行本ではよりの状態の原稿も 雑誌掲載時は左のとおり。これでも原稿料は変わらないってんだから業界って厳しいんですね。

連載においては上手いとも下手とも判断としない原稿を掲載し、お茶を濁すこと……。にわかにキナ臭くなってくるではないか。

「単行本で見る限りは日本の漫画界でも有数の画力を持つた漫画家さんたちと思うんです。初めは、そういう作風に転じたのかなとも思ったんですけど、単行本だとキレイに描きなおしてある。ここ半年くらいは連載もキレイな絵ですけど、一体どういう事情で？って感じは残ってますね」

確かに疑問である。ミュージシャンに例えるなら、単行本とはいわばCD。そして連載とは、いうならばライブである。単行本では月刊的な画力を基準につけておきながら、

き手は他にもたくさんいるはずではないか。

「聖するに、販元が沙村に投資したカネを回収するまで、アーティストイメージを損なうわけにはいかん、ということです。とは、ある業界関係者の弁。

「沙村は10年ほど前、四季賞で大賞を受賞し、デビューしたわけなんですが、その際、所属する5億社が、沙村を〝次世代の大子〟として売り出すため、一大プロジェクトをブチ上げたんです。『最狂の主人』をベスト・セラーにしようと、日本中の駅前ビルにを掲の中をかたとった単行本を販売したりと、別冊マガジン十がもけたんづくしのフィーバーぶりでした。こうした宣伝につぎ込まれた金は、一説には30億とも50億ともいわれています。ところが、単行本の実売は、当時で15万部ここそこ。個人の数字としては非常に秀ですが、売り上げ的には投資額の数十分の一でしかない。これではプロジェクトとしては大コケもいいところです」

（前出・関係者）

まったく事実と異なる気もする証言ながら、なんとも味わい深い内幕である。オマケに連載を始めてみれば、売りであったはずの画力まで「お粗末でした」ではやりきれない。単行本の画力が、いくら優れていたとて、漫画家の本領は、あくまで連載。ここ数ヶ月、連載の出来がいいからといって、沙村の画力を信頼しきること、読者はバカを見ることになりそうだ。

『おひっこし』の真の作者はチャイナドレスの美少女!?

一度で一度オイシい思いをする女は確実にかければ公私ともに大発展。

鬼畜漫画家なら朝メシ前にごっつぁんです!!

毎度お騒がせ漫画家の沙村広明（38）。次なる騒動は、さらにディープだ。沙村が〝片鳥であり〟の変名で『おひっこし』などの漫画を発表しているのは周知の事実。ところが、実は片鳥は沙村の変名などではなく、変化する別人であるというのだ。自称沙村知人が語る。

「『であしちゃんはよっちゃん』似でチャイナドレスが似合う沙村好みの美少女だったんです。それが『最狂の仕人』ファンだったばかりに、沙村にオモチャにされて……それでメ×が▲▲するらしい」

真偽を〔以下略〕

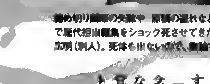
要約すると沙村が持ち込んだ『おひっこし』等の原稿を、沙村は勝手に自作として発表。ペンネームも〝片鳥であしこと沙村広明〟と改め、印税を一人占めしてしまったというのである。真偽が当時『最狂の仕人』を描いた別人に確認しようと、沙村の担当編集者は全員スーパーマンに変身したかのごとく口を閉ざしてしまった。

せっかく面白い漫画を描いたのに、女の影のみえうす著作権まで沙村に奪われた竹鳥サン（左）。ご存命の際は全裸スーパーマンを着せてあげたい。

もはや止まるところを知らない鳥岡審査に、またも浮上した最新疑惑はご多分に洩れぬ薬物疑惑！

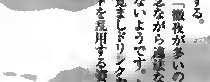
求作・編成未定のK談社漫画賞・悪人漫画家部門、初の受賞者は沙村広明で決定が……？

カネ、女、そして薬力・・・魔都で取り囲められた巨漫画家・沙村広明一匪に、また忙しい噂が浮上した。当然、残るはドラック疑惑である。渋谷をテリトリーとする、あるドラックディーラーが語る。「ミュージシャンが麻薬に手を出す理由は、主に二つです。ひとつは作曲のインスピレーションを求めて。もうひとつは逃避



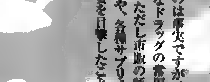
鍋の切り開腹の失敗や 原稿の遅れなど 数々の不始末を手仕で現代担当編集をショック死させてきたシリアルキラー上村加男(別人)。死体も出ない事件、無論すべてが完全犯罪だ。

にわたるツアーの疲労から逃れるためです。覚醒剤という仕事、海外アイデアをひねり出す必要があり、かつ苦痛を感じ、夜にも耐え続けねばいけない、という点では、薬物依存に陥りやすいと言えるかもしれません」



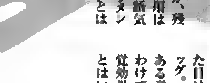
もいうことは、沙村も薬物依存症なのだろうか。いや、一概にそうとは言い切れないのだ。

「微秋が多いのは事実ですが、残念ながら違法なドラックの常用はないようです。ただし酒酔の新気覚ましドリンクや、各種サプリメントを愛用する姿を目撃したとは

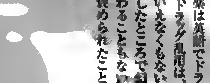


ありますね」

いかにサプリメントとはいえ、見た目は薬、そして薬は英語でドラッグ、つまり沙村のドラック常用は、ある意味、事実といえなくもないわけである。服用したところで幻覚効果も、萌に関わることもないとはいえ、決して褒められたこと



デビュー当時は可愛かったのに、気づけば十年選手の凄ちゃんです。乳臭も出ないし「無邪気セクシー」の通り越しに、さすがのファンも呆れ気味。フェイトアウト&封筆の前触れでしょう。



……というわけで、

沙村広明・最新読み切り

遂に噴出した最終疑惑は新作発表!? オマケに むけにん と2本同時X掲載で、あいた上下の口も塞がらない出血サービス&初体験サイン会!……企画中絶は絶対NGの気迫で待て!!

さすがの巨匠漫画家にも、一片の良心が残っていた、ということなのだろうか。悪魔の囁きを尽くした、あの沙村広明（45）が、この期に及んで新作を準備しているというのである。以前の報道どおり「おひっこし」が別人の作であるとするなら、なんと「むけにん」以来、初の読み切りがアフタヌーン本誌に登場となるわけだ。ある事情通がエセ関西弁で語ってくれた。

「もうかりまっかー！　いやー描くらしいですわ、沙村ハン。新作らしいですで。しかもアタ、むけにん」も休まれへんの中で、驚をでっぷーポンで、しかも全力に親ぜるゆうんやから、プチあげんのも大概にしとき！、ゆうたったわ。大体2本で何ページ描になるんやらなあ。合計30ページくらい？　どーやらなあ。全ページ真っ白なるんやうか、連載は苦手な漫画家サンプルしいからなあ（笑）「ほなサイナラ」まったくひどい関西弁である。とはいえ、漫画を描くスピードは、実は相当速いという噂もあっ沙村のこと、今までは本業よりも副業に忙しく、『無限の住人』の月産30枚が限界であったが、心を入れ換え本業に専心するのであれば充分可能かも…、などと考えている間に、さらなる新情報が！　なんと今年の夏、「無限の住人」最新刊（本誌巻の発売を記念し、冥城県仙台市の某書店にて、生漫初のサイン会を行うというのである！

「沙村のサイン会嫌いは有名ですよ。なにしろ一度も引き受けたことがないんですから。やったこともないのに嫌いというのも変な話ですが、とにかく嫌いなんだそうです」（某出版事情通）

関内人を始めとするかつてのスタッフ、それはさておき、これはどまでに沙村が、漫画家としての〝やる気〟を出したこと自体、前代未聞の発事。「どーせ開催してもお客様の数もたかが知れているだけ」とヤサグレるファンの気持ちも、充分すぎるほど理解できるが、ここはひとつ、期待をとせず待ってみようではないか。年内ならば、待いても笑っても、あと半年もないのだから。それにつけても沙村が、そこまで嫌っていたサイン会を引き受ける気になったという不気味な変心ぶり――その裏には、やはり、かねてから囁かれていた「ある人物の死」が関わっているとしか考えられないのも事実。が、特に誰かが死んだという事実がないことも、また事実なのである。

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